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PUBLIC NOTICE.

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ONE PENNY.

Births.

BRYANT.—January 22, at her residence, Rockyview, Merlin-street, North Sydney, the wife of G. E. Bryant, of a son.

MONIE.—January 26, at Lawson, the wife of W. Monie, jun., of Cudmond, of a son.

REGO.—January 31, at her residence, Windermere, Illawarra-road, Marrickville, the wife of G. de Caires Rego, of a daughter.

ELLAR.—January 23, at her residence, Bank of Australasia, Dubbo, the wife of John W. Sillar, of a son.

Deaths.

CAFE.—January 8, James Cafe, mail contractor, of Muswellbrook, aged 80 years.

CALNAN.—January 31, at 160 King-street, Newtown, Sydney, Annie Sarah, aged 25 years, the beloved wife of John Calnan. Auckland papers please copy.

MAYNE.—January 27, at the residence of D. J. Callaghan, Rose Hill, Thomas Kenneth Bertie, only son of Dr. Thomas Henry Mayne, of Kooringa (S.A.), in his 43rd year.

MIDELTON.—January 31, at his residence, Aylesbury, Albemarle-street, North Kingston, Thomas Middleton, late Locomotive Engineer of the New South Wales Government Railways and Tramways, aged 46 years. Roma papers please copy.

WEDDERBURN.—January 31, at Oakford, Burwood, Jack Annesley, youngest child of J. T. and Jessie Wedderburn, aged 5 years.

WILSON.—January 31, at North Sydney, Frederick Alfred Adolphus Wilson, aged 58 years.

In Memoriam.

MURRAY.—In ever-loving memory of my dear wife, Anne M., who died at her residence, Spicer-street, Woollahra, February 1, 1888.

Return Thanks.

Mrs. CASTELL and Mr. MASON desire to return THANKS to the friends who so kindly sympathised with them in their late bereavement.

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Himalaya	6960	R. O. Murray.	Feb. 5	Feb. 10	Feb. 12
Victoria	4771	P. Harris	Feb. 19	Feb. 24	Feb. 26
Britannia	6957	C. F. Preston.	March 5	Mar. 10	Mar. 14
Massilia	4918	C. Fraser	Mar. 17	Mar. 24	Mar. 26
Australia	7000	J. Reeves	Mar. 31	April 7	April 11
Valiaarat	4748	T. S. Angus	April 14	April 21	April 25
Victoria	6288	A. W. Adam-son	April 30	May 5	May 9

* Via Hobart.

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Steamer.	Tns	Commander.	Leave Sydney noon.	Leave Melbourne	Leave Adelaide 8 m'aph.
Saller	3214	R. Blanke	Feb. 28	March 3	March 7
Rhenestadten	3283	J. Roeben	Mar. 28	Mar. 31	April 4
Oldenburg	4818	H. Gathemann	April 25	April 28	May 2
Prinz Heinrich	3686	M. Fiebel	May 23	May 26	May 30
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AUSTRAL	5262 tons	P. M. Tuke, R.N.R.	...	Feb. 12
CUZCO	3918 ,,	J. F. Anderson ...	...	Feb. 27
*OPHIR	6010 ,,	J. F. Rathven	...	Mar. 16
*ORIZABA	6077 ,,	A. W. Clarke, R.N.R.	...	Mar. 31
*ORONTA	6037 ,,	E. E. Lavington	...	April 7
ORIENT	5365 ,,	H. E. Ia-kin ...	...	April 22

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MONOWAI	3648	Mar. 19	Mar. 24	April 12
ALAMEDA	3188	April 16	April 21	May 10

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S.S. WAIHORA, SATURDAY, February 10, at 1 p.m.

For AUCKLAND Direct—
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S.S. WAKATIPU, FRIDAY, February 9, at 4 p.m.
S.S. HAUROTO, FRIDAY, February 23, at 4 p.m.

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ARMAND BE-RIC	Delacroix ...	Mar. 27	Mar. 31	April 2
AUSTRALIEN	G. Didier ...	Apr. 27	May 1	May 3

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ADELAIDE	Konoowarra, Tuesday, Feb. 6, 5 p.m.
PORT FIRIE	Buninyong, Tuesday, Feb. 13, 5 p.m.
BROKEN HILL	
PORT AUGUSTA	Konoowarra, Tuesday, Feb. 6, 5 p.m.
BRISBANE	Peregrine, Saturday, Feb. 3, 1 p.m.
ROCKHAMPTON	Derwent, Tuesday, Feb. 6, 5 p.m.
MARYBOROUGH	Derwent, Tuesday, Feb. 6, 5 p.m.
BUNDABERG	Burwah, Tuesday, Feb. 13, 5 p.m.
MACKAY	
TOWNSVILLE	Peregrine, Saturday, Feb. 3, 1 p.m.
DUNGENESS	Leura, Saturday, Feb. 10, 1 p.m.
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INDIA	4085	T. Johnston, R.N.R.	Tuesday, April 10

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ADELAIDE	Clarina	Saturday, 11 p.m., Feb. 10	
WEST AUSTRALIAN PORTS	Darimbula	Saturday, 11 p.m., Feb. 3	
	Waro'nga	Early in February	
BRISBANE	Pilbroy	To-morrow, Special Advertis'ment.	
MARYBOROUGH BUNDABERG GLADSTONE	Wodonga	To-mor'w, 5 p.m., Feb. 2 Wed'day, 3 p.m., Feb. 7	
ROCKHAMPT'N	Pilbroy	To-mor'w, 5 p.m., Feb. 2	
MACKAY	Wodonga	To-mor'w, 5 p.m., Feb. 7	
TOWNSVILLE	Wodonga	Wed'day, 5 p.m., Feb. 7	
Dungeness, Cardwell, Mourilyan, Johnstone River	Cintra	Wed'day, 5 p.m., Feb. 14	
CAIRNS	Wodonga	Wed'day, 5 p.m., Feb. 7	
PT. DOUGLAS	(change at Townsville)		
COOKTOWN	Wodonga	Wed'day, 5 p.m., Feb. 7	
THURSDAY IS.	Cintra	Wed'day, 5 p.m., Feb. 14	
NORMANTON	Wodonga	Wed'day, 5 p.m., Feb. 7	
BURKETOWN			
NOUMEA			
ANEITYUM (New Hebrides)	Rockton	Wed'day, 5 p.m., Feb. 7	
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MELBOURNE	TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, Feb. 1, at 5 p.m.	ELINGAMITE.
NEW ZEALAND	WEDNESDAY, 21st February.	TASMANIA. (SEE SPECIAL ADVT.)
HOBART DIRECT	WEDNESDAY, 14th instant, at 4 p.m.	TAMBO.
STRAHAN (TASMANIA)	WEDNESDAY, 14th instant, at 4 p.m.	TAMBO.
LAUNCESTON, transhipping at MELBOURNE.	TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, February 2, at 5 p.m.	ELINGAMITE.
WEST AUSTRALIAN GOLD FIELDS (from Melbourne)		NEMESIS, 18th instant.
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CHILDREN HALF-PRICE.
LAST THREE NIGHTS IN SYDNEY
of
MISS NELLIE STEWART.
LAST THREE NIGHTS IN SYDNEY
of
MR. GEORGE LAURI.
LAST THREE NIGHTS IN SYDNEY
of the
GREAT PANTOMIME COMPANY.
Prices as usual.
Children Half-price to Matinée.
Box Office at Theatre, 10 to 5.

[A CARD.]
MR. GEORGE LAURI'S
FAREWELL BENEFIT
and Last Appearance but One in Sydney will take place on
FRIDAY NEXT, FEBRUARY 2,
when the Gorgeous Pantomime,
BEAUTY AND THE BEAST,
will be given for the last time but one, together with
NEW AND NOVEL ATTRACTIONS,
particulars of which will be announced to-morrow.
Box office open. Secure seats to prevent disappointment.

LYCEUM THEATRE.
SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.
JULES VERNE in his clever work of fiction rather startled the world by demonstrating that a person could travel "ROUND THE WORLD IN EIGHTY DAYS," at the same time meeting with many obstacles and sensational adventures, and also waiting to view wonderful sights in various countries. Messrs. Williamson and Musgrove propose shortly, in a Grand Spectacular Drama, founded on the above celebrated work, to show to their patrons that the same task can be accomplished in SIXTY DAYS.

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Government Notices.

TENDERS FOR PRINTING THE AGRICULTURAL GAZETTE OF NEW SOUTH WALES.
Department of Mines and Agriculture,
January, 1894.
TENDERS are hereby invited for Printing the Agricultural Gazette of New South Wales. Specifications and full particulars may be obtained on application to the Department of Agriculture, 291 Macquarie-street.
All Tenders to be lodged on or before the 7th February next.
HARRIE WOOD,
Under-Secretary for Mines and Agriculture.

COOK'S Excursion to Melbourne leaves Sydney on Feb. 7; £3 first, £2 second class. Prog. 4 Hunter-st.

Parliamentary Elections.

WARRINGAH ELECTORATE.
Mr. LEONARD DODDS
will Address the Electors
at the ODDFELLOWS' HALL, Manly,
THIS EVENING, February 1st, at 8 o'clock.

TO THE ELECTORS of BLIGH DIVISION, EAST SYDNEY.—Mr. U. W. CARPENTER, of 5 West-street, Darlinghurst, will be a CANDIDATE for the above Electorate. A. C. WEST, Secretary.

Musical Instruments.

PIANOS.—Over 100 PIANOS almost given away (from an assigned estate), £5, £10, £12, £14, £16, £18, £20, cash. Only genuine bargains in Sydney. Russell's, Flinders (Botany)-st., 17 Hurst. (No landlords, &c., to pay.)

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TO Private and Prof. Persons wanting a Piano.—STRONGMAN and CO. have been instructed by a firm going Home to sell part of their Costly Stock now in their Rooms, for £30. Inspection solicited. Hours—9 to 9.

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General Merchandise.

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J. O. MAYNE'S 12 G. Single-barrel Muzzle-loading Guns, 18s 6d each.
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J. O. MAYNE, 12 G. Double-barrel B.L. Guns, top lever, 60s 6d each.
Ditto, choke bore, 65s each.
HOLLIS and SONS' 12 G. Double-barrel B.L. Guns, top action, choke bore, 92s, £3 5s 6d, £7 10s, £10 each.
W. W. GREENER'S 12 G. D.B. B.L. Guns, choke bore, top action, "Dominion," £10 5s each.
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SATURDAY NEXT.
CURRENT CASH.
Box Plan open at the Theatre from 10 to 3 daily. PRICES, 3s, 2s, and SIXPENCE.

TOWN HALL.—One Day, 1st Feb., Grand Benefit Performance, East Lynne. D. Meek, manager.

TO PIANO BUYERS.
The Residue of
Mr. TOPHAM'S VALUABLE COLLECTION
of
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IN WATER COLOURS
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for PRIVATE SALE at LOW PRICES.
** On VIEW, Messrs. NEWTON and LAMB'S SALE ROOMS, 339 GEORGE-STREET.

LADIES' SEA-WATER SWIMMING CLUB.—A General Meeting will be held on MONDAY, February 5th, 1894, in Natatorium, 8 p.m.
K. R. REEVES, Hon. Sec.

Many Notices.

NO. 4 ELECTION PAY.—PAY will be issued at Dawes' Battery TO-NIGHT (Thursday) at 8 p.m.
By order, F. B. WALKER, Major,
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NOTICE TO PROPRIETORS.
A DIVIDEND of £1 per Share, equal to 8 per cent. per annum, having been declared at the Meeting of Proprietors held in London on 29th January, the same will be payable to the Colonial Shareholders on THURSDAY, the 1st February.
D. FINLAYSON, General Manager.

Melbourne, 31st January, 1894.

UNIVERSAL PLATE-GLASS INSURANCE COMPANY, Limited.
A DIVIDEND of 6d per Share is now payable at the Office of the above Company, over Bank of Australasia, George-street.
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Under Instructions from J. G. HUNT, Esq.

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KITCHEN and LAUNDRY Utensils.
*** SPLENDID EUREKA GAS STOVE.

WALTER BRADLEY and CO. have received instructions to conduct the above Sale THIS DAY, THURSDAY, at 2 p.m. sharp.
TERMS, CASH.

On View THIS MORNING.

TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2,
at 11 a.m.

SPECIAL PRELIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENT
to
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furnishing in good
taste.

MOST IMPORTANT UNRESERVED SALE
by
Public Auction
at the
OLD BANK AUCTION ROOMS,
322 GEORGE-STREET,
between
G.P.O. and Hunter-street,
of
MAGNIFICENT HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE
and Effects,
under instructions from
A. W. F. RICHARDSON, Esq.,
in consequence of his
contemplated departure for England,
comprising
GRAND ASSORTMENT of HIGH-CLASS Table Electro-plate, in splendid order
CUT and ENGRAVED GLASSWARE, Decanters and Sparkling Hock Bottles
VALUABLE OLD COPELAND DINNER SERVICE, richly and beautifully decorated by hand
ROYAL WORCESTER, DOULTON, and MINTON China Tea and Breakfast Services
CHARMING DESSERT SERVICE of 18 pieces, from the celebrated Sevres potteries
SOLID AMERICAN WALNUT CARVED OVERMANTEL, with bevelled plateglass panels
SOLID WALNUT EXTENSION DINING TABLE, with patent screw and extra leaves running out 10ft.
HIGHLY-FINISHED SOLID WALNUT ENCLOSED SIDEBOARD, beautifully carved and panelled with richly-figured wood, and with bevelled plate-glass back
MAGNIFICENT DINING-ROOM SUITE IN CARVED WALNUT FRAMES, consisting of Couch, pouffe-seat and ladies' Easy Chairs, and 6 stuffed-back Dining Chairs, covered in best English morocco skins of extra quality
The above splendid dining-room furniture is of very superior finish, having been made to special order, and is consequently new.
HANDSOME BRUSSELS CARPET, with BORDER
PAIR EXQUISITE WATER-COLOUR PAINTINGS, by the well-known artist Neville Cayley
SUPERIOR WALNUT ENCLOSED BOOKCASE, with wide shelves and cupboard underneath and with plate-glass doors
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These books will be sold in lots to suit purchasers.
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GRAND AMERICAN WALNUT PIPE ORGAN, with 21 stops, and with knee swell, by the celebrated New England Organ Company, Boston, Mass., U.S.A.
PAIR EXQUISITE DRESDEN CHINA COVERED VASES, with hand-painted raised flowers, with gilt ram's head handles and fluted decorations
BEAUTIFUL DRESDEN PORCELAIN SHELL VASE, delicately coloured and decorated
RARE OLD CHINA FLOWER STAND, with hand-painted flowers on pale creamy pink ground and delicately gilt handles
HIGHLY-FINISHED SOLID CARVED WALNUT CABINET OVERMANTEL, with bevelled plateglass back, and with shelves for bric-a-brac
ELEGANT CARVED WALNUT DRAWING-ROOM CABINET, carved in the highest style of art, with shaped bevelled panels, and with transparent plate-glass china cupboard lined with superior silk plush
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The charming suite was only recently made to special order at a cost of £5 guineas.
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Several exquisite Water-colour Paintings—"Australian Birds and Butterflies," by Neville Cayley
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OVERMANTEL, WALNUT COTTAGE UPRIGHT PIANOFORTE, all iron frame, trichord, overstrung, and with the latest inventions, in splendid order, by that Wedding-cake maker
SOLID AMERICAN WALNUT HALL STAND, with marble top and bevelled plate-glass back, and two chains as usual
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on
FRIDAY, 2nd FEBRUARY,
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ON VIEW THIS DAY and TO-MORROW.
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DESCRIPTIVE BOOK CATALOGUES can be obtained at the Auction Rooms. Applications for same will have prompt attention.

PRELIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENT
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RESIDENTS of the MOUNTAINS,
and Hotel Proprietors.
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10,
at 12 noon.
GREAT COMPULSORY SALE
by Public Auction,
at the
ORIENTAL HOTEL,
SPRINGWOOD,
by order of
the bailee of the
BILL OF SALE,
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the whole of the
ELEGANT HOUSEHOLD APPOINTMENTS
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MATTRESSES and BEDDING of A1 quality
KITCHEN and Laundry Utensils
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PIGS, POULTRY
Several GOOD MILCH COWS
PAIR STANDING BUGGY HORSES
WATER TANKS, 400gal.,
and a large quantity of Sundries.

WALTER BRADLEY and CO. have been favoured with instructions from the holder of the Bill of Sale to conduct the above highly-attractive Sale at the ORIENTAL HOTEL, SPRINGWOOD, on SATURDAY, 10th February.
TERMS, CASH.

Full particulars of this Most Important Sale will duly appear in these columns; also time the Trains leave Sydney for Springwood on the morning of sale.

The Auctioneers would specially direct the attention of Ladies and Gentlemen Furnishing, Residents of the Mountains, Hotel Proprietors, and others to this very fine sale. Everything at the ORIENTAL is of the very best quality, no expense having been spared.

THIS DAY, 1st FEB., at 11 am.,
at the Rooms, 45 Mullens-street, Balmain.
ABSOLUTE UNRESERVED SALE.
Under instructions from Mortgagees.
To Dealers, Private Buyers, and Others.
Cedar Chest Drawers, Gas Stove, Wertheim Sewing Machine, Oval Inlaid Table, Tap, and Plush Suite, Brussels Carpet, Dining Table, Marble Clock, Double 4-poster Bedsteads and Bedding, Pictures and Irons, Towel Rail, Austrian Chairs, Washout, and Kitchen Utensils, &c.

D. A. MUNRO will sell by public auction, as above, Every line must be entitled. Terms, Cash.

D. A. MUNRO will sell, at his Rooms, in addition to his sale, a Magnificent DINNER SET, recently cost £12 in England. To be sold without reserve.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2, at 2.30 p.m.
TO CLUBS, HOTELKEEPERS, and OTHERS.
HIGHLY IMPORTANT and UNRESERVED SALE,
at the AUSTRALIA AUCTION ROOMS,
9, CASTLEREAGH-STREET, near THEATRE ROYAL.
CHOICE ORNAMENTAL PLANTS, for bushhouse, conservatory, and drawing-room DECORATION, set in INDIAN CANE and WIRE BASKETS of newest designs, containing Asplaniums, Aralias, Lycopods, Ferns, Caladiums, Ardisias, Begonias, &c., &c.
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All grown in bushhouse at Paddington, Sydney, and can be relied upon as being quite hardy.

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Terms, Cash. No Reserve.
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ORIENT CLOTHIERS,
GEORGE-STREET, SYDNEY.

Auction Sales.

THIS DAY, FEBRUARY 1, at 11 a.m.
FOR SALE BY AUCTION.
TAILOR'S STOCK, in an Insolvent Estate, comprising
WEST OF ENGLAND and FANCY TWEEDS
SCOTCH TWEEDS, SOLID WORSTEDS
SLIGO'S SERGES AND DIAGONAL COATINGS
BLUE SERGES, VENETIANS, LAND CLOTHS
ALL WOOL SCOTCH PLAIDS AND SUITINGS
ITALIANS, SILESIAS, TRIMMINGS, BUTTONS, &c.
MEN'S FIRST-CLASS SUITS, IN SEASONABLE MATERIALS
TROUSERS, TROUSERS AND VESTS, AND BOYS' SUITS
HOSIERY, SHIRTS, MERCERY, AND HATS.
Also,
Consignments of NEW GOODS in
LONGCLOTHS AND LINEN GOODS
HOUSEHOLD FURNISHING GOODS
COLONIAL MANUFACTURED BOOTS,
&c., &c.

HARRIS and ACKMAN will sell THE ABOVE by AUCTION, at their Mart, 199 Pitt-street, THIS DAY, 1st February, at 11 a.m.
TERMS AT SALE.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2, at 11 a.m.
HIGHLY ATTRACTIVE
SALE BY AUCTION
of
JEWELLERY, WATCHES, &c.,
comprising
LADIES' and GENTN.'S GOLD ALBERTS.
DIAMOND JEWELLERY
in
S.S. Rings, Studs, Pins, Brooches, Earrings, &c.
LADIES' DRESS RINGS,
Diamond and Sapphire, Pearl and Sapphire, Pearl Half-hoop, &c.
LADIES' and GENTLEMEN'S GOLD and SILVER WATCHES
GENTLEMEN'S GOLD CHRONOGRAPHS, &c.
Also,
200 ROLLED GOLD WATCHES,
&c., &c.
To Jewellers, Storekeepers, Dealers, &c.

HARRIS and ACKMAN will SELL the ABOVE BY AUCTION, AT THEIR MART, 199 PITT-STREET, on FRIDAY NEXT, 2nd FEBRUARY, at 11 a.m.
TERMS AT SALE.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2,
AT 11 A.M.
FOR SALE BY AUCTION,
ON THE PREMISES, 21 OXFORD-STREET.
In the Assigned Estate of R. J. DUNFORD.
MESSRS. STARKEY and STARKEY, Accountants for the Trustees.
THE SUPERB STOCK, FIXTURES, and PLANT, comprising
TAILOR'S STOCK OF WOOLLENS,
including
WORSTED COATINGS, SERGES, and REPSORRETTES
VICUNA CLOTHS, BROADS, VENETIANS, and CORKSCREWS
6-4 TWEEDS, COATINGS, and SUITINGS
TROUSERINGS, FANCY WORSTEDS, and BANNOCKS
LININGS and TRIMMINGS of every description.
CLOTHING AND MERCERY STOCK,
including
MEN'S SUITS, TROUSERS, TROUSERS and VESTS
OVERCOATS, MACINTOSHES, BOYS' SUITS
A Quantity of TAILOR-MADE GARMENTS
30 doz. MEN'S WHITE SHIRTS, FELT HATS
20 doz. ditto REGATTA SHIRTS
HOSIERY, COLLARS, BRACES, TIES, HANDKERCHIEFS, and all requisite Mercery.
HAT MANUFACTURER'S STOCK and PLANT, including
FELT PULLOVERS and other Materials
Linings, Bands, Bindings, Cords
Blocks, Presses, SHEARS, and requisite Tools.
FIXTURES,
all of the very best Cedar.
10 Large Handsome MIRRORS
Glass Cases, Counters, Tables
Chairs, Boxes, BRASS RODS, STANDS
&c., &c.

HARRIS and ACKMAN will SELL the ABOVE BY AUCTION, on the PREMISES, OXFORD-STREET, on FRIDAY, 2nd FEBRUARY, at 11 a.m.
TERMS AT SALE.

THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock.
At their Rooms, 311 Pitt-street.
UNDER BILL OF SALE.
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS.
DUNN and WEBB will sell by auction THIS DAY, as above.
PRELIMINARY NOTICE.
IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION
at the
AUSTRALIAN AUCTION ROOMS,
SPRING-STREET,
on
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, at 11 a.m.,
of
LIBRARY of VALUABLE SCIENTIFIC WORKS
and General Literature.
SURGICAL INSTRUMENTS.
POWERFUL ASTRONOMICAL TELESCOPE, on stand.
POWERFUL MICROSCOPE in Mahogany Case.
MAGIC LANTERN, SLIDES, &c.

NEWTON and LAMB have been favoured with instructions to sell by auction, at the Australian Auction Rooms, Spring-street, on TUESDAY, 6th February, at 11 a.m.,
Valuable books, &c., as mentioned above.
** CATALOGUES WILL BE PREPARED AS USUAL.

OVERTIME EXPLOSIVES.
C. HEWLETT has received instructions to sell by auction (by order of Colonial Secretary), at the Ordnance Stores, Circular Quay, on TUESDAY NEXT, the 6th FEBRUARY, at 11 a.m. sharp,
400 cases bellite
1 case cartridges, 1 case ship's stores
12 cases sporting powder, 1 box blasting powder, &c.
Samples on view from TO-DAY.
Terms, Cash. No Reserve.

BURWOOD HOUSE and GROUNDS.
Estate of A. J. RILEY, of Sydney.
TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, at 11 a.m.
In the Rooms, 33 Hunter-street.
By order of the Official Assignee.
The Official Assignee's Right, Title, and Interest (if any) in and to that well-known property, BURWOOD HOUSE, Burwood.
This property occupies the best position in this leading suburb, and the views from it are both extensive and magnificent.
It has a frontage of 206ft. to Brownview-terrace, by a depth of 374ft., the side of which is a private lane.
Full particulars as to mortgage can be obtained from the Auctioneers. The Title is Freehold.

C. F. W. LLOYD and CO. will sell by auction, on FRIDAY, 2nd February,
The right, title, and interest (if any) in and to Burwood House, Burwood.

Auction Sales.

ORDER OF SALE
of
Sundry Properties,
to be
submitted at Auction,
at the ROOMS, 3 MOORE-STREET, SYDNEY,
THIS DAY, THURSDAY, 1st February,
at 11.30 a.m.

CITY. By order of Mortgagee. — No. 118 Oxford-street, Shop and dwelling, land 20ft. 2in. frontage, by depth of 80ft. to lane.

NORTH SYDNEY. By order of the Mortgagee. — Teralba, Walker-street, Cottage, 7 rooms and offices, land 16ft x 132, Torrens title, reserve.

WILLOUGHBY. — High-street, near Mowbray-road, Brick Cottage, 2 rooms, and W.B. kitchen, let at £15 per year, land 42ft. 6in., by depth on one side of 90ft., and on other side of 114ft. 6in., width at rear 50ft.

HUNTER'S HILL. — Block of Land having 40ft. frontage to Wyborna-road and 80ft. to Parramatta River by depth of 100ft., close to Hunter's Hill Wharf.

SIEVERS, VIAN, and DAWSON,
Auctioneers, 3 Moore-street.

ORDER OF SALE
of CITY and SUBURBAN PROPERTIES,
to be
SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION,
at the ROOMS, PITT-STREET, at 11.30 a.m.,
TO-MORROW (FRIDAY),

PADDINGTON. — Terrace of four Shops and Dwellings, Nos. 168 to 174 Oxford-street, opposite Barracks gate.

HARRIS-STREET, City. — Shops and Dwellings, Nos. 463 to 467, and Dwellings, 2 Shops and Dwellings, Nos. 107 and 109 Quarry-street. FREEHOLD. Deposited Estate.

GLEBE, Lyndhurst. — Terrace of six Dwellings, Nos. 78 to 88, Darling-street, off Pyrmont Bridge-road, and 1 Cottage, Wentworth Park. Mortgagee's Sale.

WOOLLAHRA. — Terrace of four Houses (freehold), Nos. 9 to 15, QUEEN-STREET, close to Oxford-street.

ASHFIELD. — "Park-terrace," seven Houses and two Blocks of vacant Land, Orpington and Loftus streets, opposite the Park. Mortgagee's Sale.

NORTH SYDNEY. — Lot 21, sec. 11, Berry Estate, fronting West-street; Lots 15, 16, and 17, sec. 13, Berry Estate, fronting Atchison-street. Deceased Estate.

NORTH SYDNEY, Mosman's Bay. — Block of Land in area 5 acres 10½ perches, fronting Military-road and Spit-road. Terminus of electric tram.

NEWTOWN. — Four Cottages, "Pines," "Oaks," "Grange," and "Trevere," fronting Rayner-street, between O'Connell and Church streets.

BLANDVILLE, Parramatta River. — Water frontage Block of Land, with Cottage and sheds of the Mercantile Rowing Club thereon. Mortgagee's Sale.

THORNLEIGH. — Eight Allotments, Thornleigh township, fronting Thornleigh and Belgrave streets respectively. Deceased Estate. See plan.

SANDRINGHAM. — Large Residence called Scarborough House, fronting Homer-avenue, Malvern-street, and Cook Park. Mortgagee's Sale.

BOTANY, NORTH. — Two W.B. Cottages, King and Wilson streets, east of Botany-road. Mortgagee's Sale.

BAULKHAM HILLS. — Orchard and Cottage property, Windsor-road, in area about 15 acres; also, 15 Acres unimproved Land, with W.B. Cottage thereon, known as Mr. Martin's property.
Various Leasehold Areas.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Limited, will sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, on FRIDAY, 2nd February,
Lease portion Holt-Sutherland Estate.

THE SALE of Mrs. BYRNE'S PROPERTY, at Point-street, Pyrmont, advertised for To-day, at 11 o'clock, is
POSTPONED until WEDNESDAY Next, at 11 a.m.
J. E. O'BRIEN and CO., Auctioneers,
25 Elizabeth-street, city.

ASHFIELD.
AT THE RAILWAY STATION.
A capital subdivision of 16 very choice and excellently-situated BUSINESS and RESIDENTIAL SITES, having frontages to Woods, Charlotte, Elizabeth streets, and Webb's-avenue, adjoining Mansions of H. W. Webb, Esq., J. Devlin, Esq., Dr. C. Hinder, and opposite the mansion of S. Hudson, Esq.
WATKIN and WATKIN, of 313 Pitt-street, Sydney, and Hercules-street, Ashfield, will sell by auction, on the Ground, on SATURDAY NEXT, 3rd FEBRUARY, 1894, at 3 p.m.,
16 allotments of land, comprising the very best sites, adjoining the Ashfield Railway Station.
TORRENS TITLE. EASY TERMS.

ORDER OF SALE
of CITY and SUBURBAN INVESTMENTS
for Auction, at the Rooms, 313 Pitt-street,
on MONDAY, February 5, 1894, at 11.30 a.m.

CITY. — Castlereagh-street. — Property adjoining the Tivoli Theatre, and at present occupied by Messrs. Brisbane and Co.

CITY. — Surry-street, Nos. 106 and 108.—Two two-storied brick Houses.

CITY. — Bayswater-road and Cowpastures, Nos. 51 and 53.—Two brick Shops and Dwellings.

NEWTOWN. — Campbell and May streets.—Gymnasium and Dancerooms.

MARRICKVILLE. — Fletcher-street.—Vacant Building Site.

WATKIN and WATKIN, Auctioneers,
313 Pitt-street.

BALMAIN, MANNING-STREET.
COMFORTABLE W.B. COTTAGE, containing 4 rooms, kitchen, &c.; outbuildings comprise 6-stall stable and large coachhouse.
LAND, 50ft. frontage to MANNING-STREET, by a good depth along the same street.
BATT, RODD, and PURVES are instructed to sell by public auction,
on TUESDAY, 13th FEBRUARY, at 11.30 a.m.,
THE ABOVE property, situated close to GALLIAN PARK, and suitable for 'bus or livery stables, or cash proprietor.
AUCTION SALE, FEBRUARY 5,
BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE.
LOT 36, RICHARDS'S SUBDIVISION, situate MOSMAN'S BAY, within 7 minutes' walk of Ferry, elevated position, choice locality, having a frontage of 60ft. to King-street by a depth of 141ft. 2½in.
McINTYRE and HORNING, Auctioneers, 163 Pitt-street, have received instructions from the Mortgagee to sell by auction, in their Rooms, Hoffnung's Buildings, 163 Pitt-street, on THURSDAY, the 8th February, at 11 a.m.,
The above splendid villa site.
TITLE TORRENS. TERMS, CASH.

PARLIAMENT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31.

The PRESIDENT took the chair at half-past 4 o'clock.

ASSENT TO BILL.

Mr. PRESIDENT announced the receipt of a message from his Excellency the Governor intimating that he had assented to the Temporary Supply Bill.

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS.

Dr. MACLAURIN, in answer to Mr. R. Burdett Smith, said that he was informed by his Excellency the Governor that no despatch had been received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies relating to the appointment of members of the Legislative Council of New South Wales.

Dr. MACLAURIN, in answer to Mr. Hoskins, said that the Government was taking steps to recover damages from the owners of the steamship Age for the injury done by that vessel to the Pyrmont Bridge.

REPORT.

Dr. MACLAURIN laid upon the table the report of the Railway Commissioners for the quarter ending 31st December, 1893.

It was ordered that the document be printed.

M'QUADE ESTATE BILL.

Mr. TRICKETT moved for leave to bring in a bill to authorise the sale or mortgage of lands devised by the will of William M'Quade, and to provide for the investment and appropriation of the proceeds, and to authorise the receipt and investment of certain compensation moneys payable by the Government of the colony of New South Wales.

The motion was agreed to, and the bill was introduced and read the first time.

RECONSTRUCTED COMPANIES BILL.

Mr. C. G. HEYDON moved the second reading of the Reconstructed Companies Bill. He said that the measure was one of the results of the financial crisis through which the colony passed that year. At that time a number of financial institutions carrying on business in Sydney were forced to suspend payment, and were compelled to undergo a process known as reconstruction. The question then arose in regard to the transfer of the business from the old to the new companies. If legal transfers of all the old property were to be executed, it was quite evident that a great deal of legal expense would have to be incurred. In the same way, if all the constituents of the old institutions who had given them mortgages and securities were to put those documents into proper form to make them applicable to the new companies they would have to pay a large amount to the bulk of which would pass into the pockets of the legal fraternity. This bill would effect all these transfers in one compendious statutory enactment. The bill would also apply to companies which might hereafter be reconstructed, but it would only apply after proclamation by the Governor.

Mr. A. BROWN said he thought the bill, if not revolutionary, was extremely extensive in its character, and therefore it deserved the very fullest criticism before it passed that Chamber. He did not agree with the hon. gentleman that the bill would save expense to the general public, because it was the first time he had ever heard that large financial institutions studied economy in lawyers' expenses. The third clause was a sweeping one, and it was a mistake to say that the interests of the old and new institutions were identical, because in regard to some of them the interests of the shareholders were not identical, and new interests altogether had been created by reconstruction.

Sir WILLIAM MANNING said that the bill was substantially a good one, and it was merely carrying out the intentions of the law and the intentions of the parties expressed at the various meetings. He did not therefore see why they should object to the measure. One defect in the bill was that it would only affect companies in this colony, and they knew that in some cases companies carrying on business here belonged to, and the same contracts were in many cases made in other countries.

Mr. CREED said he thought the bill, even with the defect pointed out by the hon. gentleman, was one which would be extremely useful to the public.

Mr. CHARLES said that debtors to the banks were in a very much worse position now than they were before the introduction of the bill, because they were in a better position before reconstruction to realise their property, or obtain a fresh loan elsewhere than they were at the present time.

Mr. SIMPSON said that the question whether the banks should show more consideration to their debtors was quite a matter now under consideration. The simple question was whether they should by the bill transfer to the newly-constructed companies the property which belonged to the old institutions before their failure, and could any hon. member have the least objection in voting for a bill of that kind? It was impossible, whatever might be the views of individual members as to the action of the bank, to deal with that question.

Mr. C. G. HEYDON replied, and said that the greater part of the expense of separate transfers would fall upon the bulk of the banks, and not some hon. members had referred in such sympathetic terms.

The motion was agreed to, and the bill was read the second time. The House went into committee to consider the bill in detail.

Clauses 1 to 5 inclusive were passed with one or two verbal amendments.

Mr. CREED moved the following new clause, to stand clause 6 of the bill:—"When any person who by a fixed deposit is a creditor of a reconstructed bank, but whose fixed deposit by the scheme of reconstruction is not payable for a term of years, is also a debtor of the bank, it shall be lawful for one sum to be taken as a set-off against the other, any condition in the scheme of reconstruction notwithstanding."

Mr. C. G. HEYDON said that the proposed clause went beyond the title of the bill, and he submitted it was therefore out of order.

The CHAIRMAN ruled that the clause was foreign to the scope and title of the bill, and was therefore out of order.

Clause 6, "Application of Bankers' Books Evidence Act of 1891," was agreed to.

Clause 7, "Power to Governor to extend provisions of the Act."

Mr. CREED moved an amendment by which the Governor in Council might, by proclamation from time to time, declare the provisions of the Act to apply to any corporation on the recommendation of the Judge sitting in Equity who authorised the reconstruction of the company concerned.

The amendment was agreed to, as was also a verbal amendment by Mr. Heydon to add the words "reconstructed company" to the words "or corporation."

The clause as amended was agreed to, and the House having resumed, the bill was reported with amendments and the report adopted.

REAL PROPERTY ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.

Mr. PRESIDENT announced the receipt of a message from the Assembly requesting the Council to proceed with the Real Property Acts Amendment Bill at the stage in which it was interrupted by the prorogation.

On the motion of Mr. TRICKETT, the request was complied with, and it was resolved that the bill should be proceeded with on the following day.

METROPOLITAN WATER AND SEWERAGE ACT EXTENSION BILL.

Dr. MACLAURIN moved the second reading of the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Act Extension Bill. He said that the bill contained four principal objects, and one was to compel the Water and Sewerage Board to collect their loans within two years or lose the right to collect them altogether. The most important part of the measure was with respect to the storm-water drains and sewers. It was necessary that there should be further legislation with regard to them, and a plan had been furnished which would explain the actual and proposed storm-water drains and sewers. In regard to this branch of the bill, it was provided that the Governor might by proclamation declare that certain storm-water drains and sewers, together with any lands and buildings used in connection therewith, should be transferred to and vested in the board, which should be empowered to levy rates and charges and make bylaws. The mode to be adopted for the recovery of rates was also prescribed.

After a short discussion as to the powers proposed to be conferred upon the board in connecting premises with water mains, the motion was agreed to, and the bill was read the second time. The House then went into committee to consider the bill in detail.

Clause 1, "Rates, &c., to be binding on land for two years."

Dr. MACLAURIN moved the addition of the words "Provided that the board shall have taken all legal remedies against and shall have failed to recover such rates from the occupiers of such lands or tenements." He said that failing the occupant the board would have recourse to the owner, but not until the board showed that it had exhausted all means of getting the rates from the occupier.

The amendment was agreed to. Several verbal amendments were also inserted, and the clause as amended was passed.

In clause 2, "Proclamation as to drains and sewers and draining areas," an amendment moved by Mr. Trickett was inserted, providing for a notice within 30 days to the borough or municipality that certain storm-water drains and sewers were to be transferred to and vested in the board. The clause as amended was agreed to.

Clause 3, "Rates, charges, and bylaws." An amendment on the motion of Mr. Trickett was adopted, providing that the board should only have power to make bylaws which were consistent with the provisions of the bill. The clause as amended was agreed to.

Clauses 4, "Penalties in bylaws;" 5, "Recovery of rates," and 6, "Storm-water drains and sewers," were agreed to without amendment.

On clause 7, "Power to board to connect premises with watermain, and recover expenses," a discussion took place, Messrs. Humphery, R. Burdett Smith, and Macintosh opposing the clause on the ground that it placed too great a power in the hands of the board.

On the motion of Dr. MACLAURIN the House resumed, progress was reported, and leave given to sit again on the following day.

ADJOURNMENT.

The House, at 10 minutes to 9 o'clock, adjourned till 4 o'clock on the following day.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31.

The SPEAKER took the chair at half-past 4 o'clock.

THE MONTHLY SUPPLY BILL.

Mr. SPEAKER announced the receipt of a message from the Governor stating that the Royal assent had been given to the Monthly Supply Bill.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS COMMITTEE.

Mr. SPEAKER said his warrant appointing the Committee of Elections and Qualifications, laid on the table on the 23rd January, not having been disapproved of by the Assembly in the course of the three next sitting days, had now taken effect.

The members of the committee were sworn in.

THE CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. SPEAKER presented a commission from the Governor appointing Mr. Ninian Melville, Chairman of Committees, in the absence of the Speaker, to administer to new members the oath of allegiance to her Majesty.

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS.

Mr. SEE, in answer to Mr. Stevenson for Mr. Rose, said that the amount that the Railway Commissioners had paid for legal advice and the recipients of the same would be supplied in the form of a return. The Attorney-General had refused to give advice, as the Attorney-General who was in office when the Railway Commissioners were appointed decided that he was the legal adviser of his colleagues only, and not of departments or State corporations, and no Attorney-General as such had ever acted for the Railway Department either under the present or late Railway Act. The Commissioners on taking office continued the practice then in force, and renewed the retainers of the then standing counsel of the late Commissioner for Railways. As to the question whether the present Attorney-General was prepared to advise the Commissioners, that gentleman had advised as follows:—"I consider that it is no part of my duty to advise the Railway Commissioners direct, but I am prepared to advise any of my honourable colleagues, including the Ministerial head of the Railway Commissioners, and including any matter concerning the railways as to which he may require my advice."

Mr. SEE, in answer to Mr. Perry, said that he was not aware that large quantities of oleomargarine and butterine were made in the colony and sold as butter, and an excise duty to prevent the public being defrauded in this way could only be imposed by Act of Parliament.

Mr. SEE, in answer to Mr. Hutchinson, said that the wages paid per day to conductors, assistants, porters, firemen, and engineers on the trams and railways varied from 6s to 15s per day in the railway, and from 5s to 14s per day in the tramway service.

Mr. COPELAND, in answer to Mr. Hutchinson, said that apparently the acreage of lands transferred during the last 10 years exceeded, by many millions of acres, the lands conditionally purchased during the same period.

Mr. SEE, in answer to Mr. Hutchinson, said that the ordinary mileage rates per ton and per truck applicable to an equal distance on the main line were charged between Wallerawang and Mudgee, and Molong, Parkes, and Forbes. The Railway Commissioners were aware that a small amount of traffic had been carried by the road. The loss on the Mudgee line for the year ended 31st December, 1892, after providing for working expenses and interest, was £29,517.

Mr. SEE, in answer to Mr. Graham, said that he was informed that some of the railway telegraph offices were also public telegraph offices, and when open, messages were received and forwarded for any person requiring to forward messages. On the 26th instant some telegrams were sent from the Redfern railway telegraph office, which was also a public telegraph office, to Newcastle.

Mr. SUTTOR, in answer to Mr. Taylor, said that tenders were accepted for the erection of buildings for a girls' department at the Parramatta South school on the 21st December last.

Sir GEORGE DIBBS, in answer to Mr. Dowel, said that the silver coinage question was still under consideration, but the Agent-General had been instructed to take concerted action with the Agents-General for the other colonies in reference to the matter.

Mr. SLATTERY, in answer to Mr. Waddell, said that the Chief Inspector of Stock was now in London, and he (Mr. Slattery) would consider the advisability of arranging by cable message for Mr. Bruce to obtain as much information as possible, before returning, of a nature likely to assist our producers to open up markets in England and on the Continent for our preserved meats, butter, wines, fruit, and other colonial products.

Sir GEORGE DIBBS, in answer to Mr. J. D. Fitzgerald, said, the following information has been supplied by the medical adviser to the Government:—There are at present in consequence of medical observation by this department. There are 37 cases of leprosy at the lazarets, at Little Bay.

Sir GEORGE DIBBS, in answer to Mr. J. D. Fitzgerald, also said the following information had been supplied by the Department of Justice:—Nine persons are imprisoned for debt in Darlinghurst Gaol. They have been confined respectively since the 9th, 11th, 16th, 25th, and 30th instant, 4th and 6th November, 1893, and 2nd March, 1894, for the following amounts:—£25, £101 6s 4d, £5, £111 4s 11d, £25, £25, £20, and £99, and one for contempt in refusing to be sworn at the Bankruptcy Court.

Mr. LYNE, in answer to Mr. Allan for Mr. Lonsdale, said that accrued interest, where justly chargeable, would be added to the capital cost of castiron pipes for country towns water supply works, as it practically formed part of the cost.

Mr. LYNE, in answer to Mr. Davis, who asked whether the Minister would place £100,000 on the Estimates towards the building of the new Parliament House, said he was afraid he could not, in the present state of their finances, undertake to recommend the construction of works such as this, which could without serious injury to the country, be postponed for a time. He might, however, inform the hon. member that in regard to all necessary works for which money was available, he had given instructions for them to be put in hand as quickly as possible. A considerable amount of work would thus shortly be put on the labour market, and thereby tend to relieve its present congested state.

Mr. COPELAND, in answer to Mr. G. D. Clark, said that the matter of complying with the request of the residents of Leichhardt to set apart Rodd Island for recreation purposes, was under consideration, and would be dealt with without unnecessary delay.

Mr. SEE, in answer to Mr. Garrard for Mr. Hutchison, said it had never been stated that a gigagreement by two neighbours was the primary cause of the gates on public road at 338 miles 10 chains on the Great Northern Railway being closed, and would state positively that he was fully informed of the details of the matter at the office of the Railway Commissioners.

MOTIONS FOR RETURNS.

Mr. M'GOWEN moved,—"That there be laid upon the table of this House a return showing the amount of bonuses granted ever and above the amount of salary stated in the Railway Estimates to officers of the Traffic Department, the Loc

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.—JANUARY 31.

Kate Tatham, barque, 275 tons, Captain O'Brien, from Bulwinga 20th January. Kauri Timber Company, Limited, agents.

Wairarapa (s.), 1786 tons, Captain John M'Intosh, from Auckland. Passengers—Mesdames Grieve and infant, Hudson, Pridham, Urquhart, Lucas, Burn, Birnie, Benjamin, Twomey, Donaldson, Misses Jones, Gillies, Burfield, Wilson, Allan, Lysaght, Thurburn, Mudie, Clark, Huggins, Donaldson, Messrs. Reeves, Boom, J. C. Stedman, Allis, Gunn, J. Holden, J. D. Woods, W. Jones, Giles, Morgan, C. C. Mason, Carter, E. S. Budd, Penn-Smith, Daniels, G. M. Newton, Grieve, Hudson, Kilsby, Jarvis, Peacock, Lamb, J. C. Taylor, C. Matthews, Urquhart, F. C. Piper, Lomas, Dr. Martin, Dr. Stanley, D. V. M'Lean, S. H. Maddox, H. M'Lachlan, Cussen, Wiomaski, Orr, J. Charlesworth, Mackey, Taylor, Sura, Benjamin, J. A. Balchare, Brown, W. Thomas, W. Johnston, W. Birch, J. H. Walls, J. Nelson, M'Silkinney, H. Cardell, W. Climo, Revs. E. Owen and A. V. M'Padden, Captain Fox, Master Orr, and 14 in the steerage. F. W. Jackson, agent.

Archer (s.), 694 tons, Captain E. Henry, from the Gilbert, Ellice, and Fiji Groups. John Williams, agent.

Balmain (s.), 604 tons, Captain Hunter, from Newcastle. J. M. Brooks, agent.

Sydney (s.), 1251 tons, Captain R. J. Skinner, from Newcastle. Newcastle and Hunter River S.S. Company, Limited, agents.

Boga (s.), 507 tons, Captain W. O. Hersee, from Southern ports. Illawarra S.N. Company, Limited, agents.

Barrabool (s.), 942 tons, Captain Seaside, en route to Melbourne. Wm. Howard Smith and Sons, Limited, agents.

DEPARTURES.—JANUARY 31.

Tasmania (s.), for Auckland and ports.
Fiado (s.), for Noumea.
Tambo (s.), for Hobart.
Kameruka (s.), for Southern ports.
Karuweera (s.), for Adelaide, via Newcastle.
Wimmera (s.), for Newcastle.
Augusta (s.), for Byron Bay and the Tweed.
Buteshire, four-masted ship, for London.
Maureto (s.), for Wellington and ports.
Annie, barque, for Raiuu, New Britain.
Great Admiral, ship, for Newcastle.
Age (s.), for Melbourne, via Newcastle.
Barrabool (s.), for Melbourne.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.—FEBRUARY 1.

Mararoa (s.), for Auckland and ports; Trident (s.), for Moruya, Wagonga, and Bermagui; Namoi (s.), for Newcastle; Electra (s.), for Manning River; Gael, barque, for London; Alice, barque, for Aniwery; Welcome, schooner, for Auckland, via Newcastle.

CLEARANCES.—JANUARY 31.

Arawatta (s.), 2114 tons, Captain F. G. Lee, for Brisbane and Northern ports. Passengers—Mrs. Lentiemegger, Mrs. Lynch, Mrs. J. Bell and two children, Mrs. A. Foss, Mrs. Milne, Mrs. Bruckenburg, Mrs. J. Evans and three children, Mrs. G. W. Rowcrotham, Mrs. Ward and infant, Mrs. Toms, Mrs. F. Whitton, Mrs. J. Foran three children and maid, Mrs. C. Morley, Mrs. Joseph and two children, Mrs. Paton, Mrs. Stewart, Mrs. W. B. Weeks, Mrs. Marlow, Mrs. Cunningham, Misses (2) Byrnes, Miss Barry, Miss Campbell, Miss Jeffray, Miss Mileham, Miss M. Mileham, Misses (2) M'Cordry, Miss Cuthbank, Miss E. Lovett, Hon. T. J. Byrnes, Rev. T. Jones, Rev. H. M. Dawnsey, Signor Truda, Messrs. Lentiemegger, Ward, Toms, J. Foran, T. Goodall, H. Ryan, J. W. Simons, C. F. White, J. Wilson, Keogh, C. W. Partridge, J. Woods, H. G. Bobardt, junior, G. Bayley, F. White, A. G. Hillyard, G. W. Hopwood, F. Bumkins, Bruce, A. Woods, H. Bell, Evans, Darvall, G. Rennie, Vowles, H. J. Dyce, E. James, Anslow, Goldsworthy, Meehan, C. Morley, M'Cordy, J. R. Burrows, N. J. Sheppard, F. Gordon, Mather, Edwards, C. Free. Masters (2) M'Cordy, Master Rowotham, and 37 in the second cabin.

Barrabool (s.), 942 tons, Captain Frank Bell, for Melbourne and S. A. ports. Passengers—Mr. Aston, Mr. Gale, Mr. Gell, Mr. W. Birch, Mr. Lindsay, Mr. D. Murray, Mrs. Bruce, Mr. C. C. Driffield, Miss Boyd, Mr. R. Hunter, Miss Ward, Mr. R. Jeffery, Mr. W. H. Prentice, Mrs. Gell, Miss Gell, Mr. Custer, Mr. A. M'Keller, Mrs. Aston, Miss Roberts, Mrs. Coat, Miss Buddle, Mr. J. Bright, Miss Jarvis, Mr. W. Bright, Miss Bright, Coat, Miss Driffield, Miss Davis, Mr. W. D. Matheson, Mr. E. Sagar, Miss Webster Mrs. Forgan, Mr. Tipping, Mrs. Hastie, Mr. Bruce, Mr. Jas. Mrs. Hall, Miss Jones, Mr. Woolley, Miss Campbell, Mr. F. Ruthon, Miss Hewlett, Miss Cumming, Miss Cash, Miss Oyne, Miss A. Oyne, Mrs. Smith, and 50 in the second cabin.

Hauraki (s.), 1986 tons, Captain R. Neville, for Wellington. Passengers—Mr. and Mrs. Digbt, Mr. and Mrs. Rogers, Mesdames G. Bennett, Wheat and infant, Hartley and child, Hughes, Martin, Carne, Gollan, Hughes, Mr. Andrew Drew, M'Kellar, Lodge, Percy, O'Neill, Bentley, Buchanan, A. S. Sugden and two children, Misses Grainge, Hartley, Polli, Lise Sec, Westall, Drew, M'Kellar, E. Lodge, Rainwell, Messrs. Sugden, Buchanan, H. Calvert, G. C. Watson, A. Killick, A. L. Ellis, G. Murray, Masters Lodge, E. J. Sugden, Graham Wright, A. Noble, Taylor, Stanbury, Lynch, and M'Carthy. Mr. E. J. Faulkner, Master Stanner, Rev. Father O'Sullivan, Messrs. P. H. Burnett, Walsh, D. Mulhearn, Thomas Walsh, D. M'Quade, T. Edmonds, Tippiae, Low, Cairns, Baiffe, and 48 in the steerage.

Karuweera (s.), 1477 tons, Captain W. Blown, for Adelaide, via Newcastle, with part of original cargo from Indiaide.

Tambo (s.), 732 tons, Captain J. Wavish, for Hobart. Passengers—Mrs. Poole, Mrs. Rutherford, Mr. W. Poole, Mr. Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. Cash, Mr. Hogan, Mr. Seymour, Fitz, W. Rule, H. Hamilton, W. Robertson, W. Gray, E. A. Wadley, Crammond, J. N. Bradbury, Master Robertson, Master C. Napier-Smith, Master C. B. Fox, and 19 in the steerage.

Tasmania (s.), 2259 tons, Captain Thomas M'Gee, for Auckland and ports. Passengers—Mesdames T. Dickenson, Moore, M'Murrich, Murrell and family, Wood, R. Norris, Lucas, Camfield, Manning, Malcolm, M'Kay, Shennan, Tarskover, Lusaman, Pepbarth, Giles, Bowles, Clarke and 2 children, Davis, Wetherington, Murray, Sainsbury and Masters Sainsbury (2), Hart and child, Stallwood, Nicholls, Card, Smith, Reynolds, Rosenblum, Smith, Rossetti, Hudson, Egan, M'Haffe, Harriett, Misses Moore, Wood, Manning, M'Kay, Haynes, Moore, Wood, Mackay, Hesgrithe, Rosenblum, Lee, Smith, C. Moore, Murray, Feidlen, Rutherford, Hogarth, Baker, Hill, Messrs. J. Ring, F. V. E. Saunders, S. G. Peyton, A. R. Pearce, G. Gannell, Geddes, G. Shortt, C. Murray, P. J. Gorman, J. Collins, R. Neville, Lucas, Lewis, M'Kay, A. Mowlen, J. Clarke, Bowden, Murfey, Stallwood, P. J. Connell, Hart Dr. J. D. Taylor, Wright, W. Rutherford, H. Rutherford, T. Lind, Wood, Dr. A. W. M'Meth, Wood, R. Norris, Captain M'Kenzie, F. A. Cook, W. Penney, A. Rose, F. Morrow, S. Hanstake, C. Moore, Crisker, Troell, Rosenblum, W. on coal, A. T. Hudson, Maher, G. Dobson, Creecy, M'Haffe, T. Shortal, M'Alister, Bennington, Dr. Russell, Smith, Thornton, Masters Egan, Armand, Short, and Nicholl.

Welcome, schooner, 112 tons, Captain Daniel R. Cooper, for Auckland, via Newcastle, in ballast. Passenger—Mr. William Jones.

Gael, barque, 1516 tons, Captain William Jones, for London.

Fiado (s.), 958 tons, Captain Paul Bauret, for Noumea.

Age (s.), 2784 tons, Captain John Clark, for Melbourne, via Newcastle, with part of original cargo from Melbourne.

Lyman D. Foster, American schooner, for Honolulu, via Newcastle: 60 ironbark piles.

Gael, barque, for London: 4863 bales wool, 94 bales skins, 235 bags bones, 10 bags horns, 66 bags hoofs, 874 casks tallow, 245 bars antimony ore, 1000 cases meats, 4702 bars lead, 4020 bills, 2000 tons flour, 400 bags cocoa, 10 bales cotton, 2 bales basils, and 37 bales skins.

Fiado (s.), for Noumea: 605 tons coal, 254 mats and 40 sacks sugar, 507 bags rice, 20 cases jam, 995 cases kerosene, 70 bags and 5 cases beef, 127 sacks salt, 20 boxes bath bricks, 7 cases herrings, 9 boxes devilled ham, 20 boxes clay pipes, 5 cases limejuice cordials, 10 cases lobsters, 148 bags potatoes, 30 cases onions, 40 cases currants, 25 cases milk, 36 cases salmon, 2 cases galvanised iron, 5 cases asparagus, 40 sacks wheat, 10 sacks flour, 105 bars chaff, 5 cases shoe's tongues, 2 casks and 5 drums oil, 20 kegs paint, 2168 pieces timber, 4 cases pickles, 12 cases wines and spirits, 58 cases fruit, 8 boxes lard, 1 package paper, 10 packages hardware, 8 bales rope, 4 casks beer, 10 bags beans, 8 bundles oars, 61 packages tea, 15 bundles guttering, 34 cases cheese, 4 cases butter, 116 bags and 40 cases potatoes, 11 boxes mustard, 40 coils rope, 11 cases vegetables, 70 bales tubes, 8 boxes lime, 10 cases gasoline, 6 bags bacs, 4 packages drapery, and sundries.

Arawatta (s.), for Brisbane, via ports: 1200 bags potatoes, 800 bags flour, 156 bags oatmeal, 100 bags wheat, 120 bags onions, 956 cases fruit, 20 cases canned fruit, 50 cases salmon, 50 cases brandy, 14 cases galvanised iron, 120 boxes tinplates, 36 cases c. potash, 60 packages paint, 40 packages oil, 20 casks whitley, 32 casks whitiney, 10 casks mineral water, 10 casks wine, 50 bundles sugar mats, 35 bales hay, 400 packages sundries, 1000 tons coal.

Barrabool (s.), for Melbourne and ports: 196 cases tobacco, 18 bars oysters, 30 bags wool, 146 cases meats, 40 bales hides, 25 casks resin, 151 cases tongues, 10 boxes candles, 9 casks glue, 79 bags zinc ashes, 1 case preserved turtle, 7 packages books, 10 cases chimneys, 800 rolls bags, 2 cases 5 bags blacking, 12 cases mangles, 10 packages empties, 14 packages samples, 7 bars corks, 60 bags 200 boxes butter, 2000 smokes, 25 casks ale, 2 bags pork, 8 bags rice, 14 cases tobacco, 1 case cheese, 600 tons coal, and sundries.

Hauraki (s.), for Wellington: 6 packages tobacco, 4 roller rings, 1000 bags sugar, 2700 bags rice, 12 packages opium, 12 cases arrowroot, 13 cases whale oil, 50 packages marble, 450 packages China merchandise, 5 bales kauok, 131 bales, 7 sacks hides, 16 horses, quantity scenery, 903 pieces timber, 989 cast pipes, 29 packages tea, 450 cases fruit, 90 tons iron in, 11 cases wine, 6 cases tonic, 1 case piano, 18 bags coffee, 14 packages effects, 600 tons coal, and sundries.

CUSTOM-HOUSE.—Entered Outward: January 31, Wairarapa (s.), 1786 tons, Captain J. M'Intosh, for Auckland, via Newcastle; Killarney, barque, 401 tons, Captain A. Hawkes, for Kaipara, N.Z.

The Kate Tatham arrived yesterday from Robinga, and reports having left on the 23rd ultimo. Easterly and S.E. winds were met with on the passage.

The ship Loch Broom, from Calcutta, passed Cape Otway at 8 a.m. yesterday, for Sydney.

The Union Company's steamer Wairarapa, Captain John M'Intosh, from Auckland, arrived at 2.15 p.m. yesterday. She left on the 27th ultimo at 0.15 p.m., passed Cape Brett at 8.30 same night, North Cape abeam at 2.55 a.m. next day, the Three Kings were abeam at 7 a.m. Sighted the coast of New South Wales at 11.45 a.m. on 31st, and entered Sydney Heads at 1.45 p.m. Experienced fresh S.W. to S.S.W. winds until 29th, thence N. winds and considerable swell. On Sunday, the 28th, at 1 p.m., in lat. 34·10 S. long. 172·20 E., passed a black-painted coasting barque, two masts, bolted over the top and iron rigg inserted.

Messrs. Gilchrist, Watt, and Co. are in receipt of a cable from London advising the departure of the Warrnambool on Saturday afternoon, the 27th ultimo, and the arrival of the Echuca on Monday afternoon, the 29th ultimo.

The Loch Broom, a vessel recently launched from slips of 2075 tons, built by Barclay, Curie, and Co. on the Clyde, passed the Otway yesterday. She is owned by the General Shipping Company (Aitken, Lilburn, and Co., of Glasgow), who are also representing owners of the Glasgow Shipping Company. In the colonies the "Lochs" have an established reputation. The joint lines include the Lochs Garry, Katrine, Lamond, Ness, Rannoch, Sloy, Shiel, Tay, Lone; and in the Sydney trade the Loch Torridon.

The Firth of Solway, with general cargo from Glasgow to Sydney, passed Cape Otway at 5.30 p.m. yesterday. She comes to Messrs. Mason Bros., Limited, and loads coal for west coast.

The ship Monal, now at Port Pirie, is fixed to load grain there for the United Kingdom.

H.M.S. Goldfinch is to leave to-day for Robart. She went out yesterday for an engineer's trial, and returned soon after noon.

The barque Alexa was loading oats and produce at the Bluff on the 20th ultimo for Sydney.

Messrs. A. Jouve and Co. yesterday despatched the steamer Fiado for Noumea with general cargo. She returns here in about three weeks with nickel and copra.

The Augusta, that put into Watson's Bay on Tuesday night, left yesterday morning for Byron Bay and the Tweed.

The composite-built barque Dilpusund, formerly the Eurropa, has been taken up to load grain at a South Australian port for the United Kingdom.

The ship Great Admiral was last night towed to Newcastle by one of Messrs. J. and A. Brown's tugs. She is to discharge part original cargo from New York, and then return to Sydney to load wool for London for Messrs. H. J. King and Co., who have a lot of cargo ready for her.

Messrs. H. J. King and Co. despatched the four-masted steel clipper Buteshire to London yesterday with 3000 bales of wool and rough cargo. This new firm has come into prominence by sending this ship this season with the largest quantity of wool that has left the port, leaving out the Patterdale. The Buteshire, while at the Quay was handled quickly and steadily from the time she first came on the loading berth. The facilities for receiving, dumping, and stowing were well shown. Scarcely six weeks have elapsed since the Buteshire entered inward from the Cape in ballast. The latter was discharged, the outward cargo loaded, and the ship cleared the Heads yesterday in admirable time.

Yesterday afternoon while the steamer Conqueror was on her 4.30 trip from Sydney a large porpoise was seen playing in front of the bow of the steamer. The vessel taking a plunge the fish was impaled on the bow of the steamer, where it remained for a short time, ultimately dropping into the water.

Amongst the passengers by the Arawatta, which left Sydney for Cooktown yesterday, was the Rev. H. M. Dauncey, of the London Missionary Society, who is returning to New Guinea after a six months' furlough, spent in this colony and in Victoria.

THE MAIL STEAMERS.

The R.M.S. Britannia left Colombo on the 29th instant, homewards.

The R.M.S. Victoria arrived at Suez on the 29th instant, homewards.

The R.M.S. Australien, hence 27th December, arrived at Marseilles on the 30th instant. The mails from Sydney were dated the 28th December and Adelaide the 2nd January. In the ordinary course the delivery in London would be yesterday. The mails were due there to-morrow.

THE ARCHER.

The steamer Archer, of Messrs. Henderson and Macfarlane's line, anchored in Watson's Bay at half-past 10 o'clock last night, after her usual cruise amongst the South Sea Islands. She left Sydney on the 16th October last, and arrived at Suva on the 27th; left Suva on the 28th, and arrived at the Ellice Group on the 31st. After calling at every island in the Ellice and Gilbert Groups, she reached Butaritari on the 7th December; from there she proceeded to the Marshall Islands, calling at Banaba and Nouru on her way. Arrived at the Marshalls, and cruised through the group, leaving Jaluit on 30th December. Called at Butaritari on the 1st January, and took her departure for Sydney via Ellice Group and Suva. Anchored at Suva at 8 p.m. on the 21st January, and left again at 6 p.m. on the 22nd. Experienced favourable winds and weather throughout the voyage, except for one week while in the Marshalls, where light winds blew very strong accompanied by a heavy sea and heavy rain. The Archer, on this voyage carried as passenger Mr. C. R. Swayne, the newly-appointed Resident Commissioner for the Gilbert Group. Mr. Swayne is an official of the Fijian Government, and has been for several years magistrate of Levuka, a fully-populated province of Fiji. Mr. Swayne, in his capacity as Judge of the above district, has had many opportunities to thoroughly study the native character, and, although the natives of the Gilbert Islands differ in many respects from the Fijian, still Mr. Swayne's experience has enabled him to deal at once with cases in the group. Mr. Moorcroft, where a stranger to the ways of the kanaka would have been objured in many cases to seek the advice of the High Commissioner, thereby causing a long delay. Mr. Swayne, on Ocean Island, has, with the assistance of the Archer, established a Resident Court on every island throughout the Ellice and Gilberts, and both Europeans and natives hailed with joy the arrival of their respective islands of her Britannic Majesty's representatives. Many old-standing cases were brought before the Commissioner and dealt with, and the surprising the quantity of work Mr. Swayne got through within the short space of time allotted to him upon each island, evidenced his giving satisfaction to all parties. The High Commissioner is fortunate in having a man with Mr. Swayne's ability at his command, and no doubt his services in Fiji have been appreciated. The Archer left for Suva and her party at Butaritari, where he intends to make his headquarters for the present. On the return trip the Archer called at Nanumea and Nanumaki, and learned that a terrible fight had taken place there in December last between the king and a rebel tribe. The fight commenced several days before the king succumbed to the king, after losing eight or nine men killed and many wounded. Two hundred and fifty of the conquered took advantage of a trading schooner then at anchor, and embarked on board of her to the neighbouring island, Apiang.

This is the first disturbance that has taken place upon this island for many years, and no doubt now that this island is under British protection the real instigators of the outbreak will be found and severely punished. At all the other islands visited by the steamer things were quiet. The Gilbert Islands are suffering from severe drought, no rain having fallen upon any of them for nearly four years. It is distressing to see the once beautiful groves of cocoanut trees dried up, and in many places the tops or fruit-growing parts dropping off. The Archer called at Suva on her way back, carrying the first lot of mails from the new protectorate.

TELEGRAPHIC SHIPPING NEWS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.)

BRISBANE.—January 31: The Derwent (s.) arrived at Maryborough from Rockhampton. The Victoria (s.) left Gladstone south. The Burrumbula (s.) arrived in Moreton from Rockhampton. The Cintra (s.) left Keppel Bay, south. The Aramac (s.) left Townsville north. The Waikato (s.) left Townsville for New Zealand.

ROCKHAMPTON.—Arrived: January 31, Regent Murray, barque, from Santos; Ardenscaig, ship, from Cardiff; Buckenfield (s.), from Melbourne; Barrabool (s.), from Sydney; Gael (s.), Simaroota (s.), Timaru (s.), Sophia Ann (s.), Balmain (s.), Garfield, schooner, from Sydney. Departures: January 31, Flora Firth, schooner, for Manukau, New Zealand; Karuah (s.), for Tweed River; Janet Y. Price, schooner; Timaru (s.), Ferdinan, barque (in tow of the Newburgh), at 4.30 p.m., for Sydney; L'Avenaire, schooner, for Honolulu. Passed: January 31, Augusta (s.) at 8.15 a.m., north.

BOWEN.—Arrivals: January 31, Hawkesbury (s.), and Kate (s.), at 9.40 a.m., from Sydney. Departures: January 31, Mary Davis, ketch, at 11.15 a.m.; Kate (s.) at 11.30 a.m., for Sydney; Rook Lily, cutter, at 1.30 p.m.

BELLARAT.—Arrival: January 31, Egmont (s.) at 6.30 a.m., from Sydney.

WOLLONGONG.—Arrivals: January 31, Palmerston (s.), from Melbourne; Malcolm, schooner, and Alex. Newton, barque, from Sydney. Departure: January 31, Currajong (s.), at 3 p.m., for Sydney.

NEWCASTLE.—Departure: January 31, Resolute (s.) at 9 a.m., for Sydney.

CROOKHAVEN HEADS.—Arrivals: January 31, Cosmondory (s.), at 4.30 a.m., from Wollongong; Illawarra (s.) at 2 p.m., from Sydney.

BATEMAN'S BAY.—Arrival: January 31, Peterborough (s.), off the bar early this morning, from Sydney.

MORUYA HEADS.—January 31, Trident (s.) still barbound.

EDEN.—Departure: January 31, Allowrie (s.) at 8 a.m., for Sydney.

GABO ISLAND.—Passed: January 31, Glanmis (s.) at 10.40 p.m., north; Adele (s.) at 10.45 a.m., Wodonga (s.) at 11.40 a.m., west.

WILSON'S PROMONTORY.—Passed outward: January 31, a steamer at 4.15 a.m.; Ethel B. T., ketch, at 7 a.m.; Innaminka (s.) at 8.15 a.m.; Maitland (s.) at 9.30 a.m.; Orbost, fore and aft schooner, at 9.20 a.m.; a barque at 9.50 a.m.

PORT ADELAIDE.—Departure: January 31, Oonah (s.), for Sydney during the night.

LOW ISLAND.—Arrival: January 31, Patcena (s.), at 9.56 a.m., from Melbourne.

CAPE BORDA.—January 31, R.M.S. Parramatta, passing inward at 9 a.m.

KING'S BEACH.—Departure: January 31, R.M.S. Valetta at 12.55 p.m., for London.

ALBANY.—Departure: January 30, Adelaide (s.) at 4.50 p.m., for Fremantle.

(PER FAVOUR OF THE UNDERWRITERS' ASSOCIATION OF VICTORIA.)

LONDON, JAN. 29.

Arrived from Sydney, Angers (s.s.), sailed November 12, and Port Victor, November 24. Arrived at Dunkirk from Sydney, Argus (s.s.), sailed November 14, via Melbourne December 4.

THE KAIKOURA FIRE ACCIDENT.

The Kaikoura (s.s.), 2883 tons, of London, which left London for Wellington on January 11 and was reported in our message of 19th instant to have put into Tenerife with cargo on fire, has executed all necessary repairs, and proceeded on her voyage. The discharged portion of her cargo will be brought to London.

THE MAILS.

THIS DAY.

MELBOURNE, 4.15 and 7 p.m.
ADELAIDE, 4 and 7 p.m.
HOBART AND LAUNCESTON, 4 p.m.
QUEENSLAND, 4.45 p.m.
WESTERN AUSTRALIA (Monday, via Adelaide), —.
ADELAIDE AND ALL N.Z. PORTS, 9 a.m.
MONTAGUE ISLAND, 11 a.m.
VALPARAISO, VIA NEWCASTLE, 4.45 p.m.
MANNING RIVER, 7 p.m.

FRIDAY.

CLYDE RIVER, 8 a.m.
RICHMOND RIVER AND BYRON BAY, 8 p.m.

SATURDAY.

AUCKLAND AND ALL N.Z. PORTS, noon.
TONGA AND SAMOA, noon.
HOBART AND LAUNCESTON, via EDEN, 6 p.m.
CLARENCE RIVER, 8 p.m.

MONDAY.

MERIMBULA AND EDEN, 11 a.m.
LAUNCESTON AND HOBART, via EDEN, 11 a.m.
INDIA AND CONTINENT OF EUROPE (overland to Adelaide, and thence per Orient Company's steamer Oruba), 2.30 p.m.
UNITED KINGDOM (overland to Adelaide, and thence per Orient Company's steamer Oruba), 3 p.m.
PARCEL MAIL.

Parcels addressed to the United Kingdom, Egypt, India, Ceylon, Hongkong, and certain foreign countries via the United Kingdom, will be received at the Parcels Office, 151 Castlereagh-street, for transmission per P. and O. steamer Himalaya up to 9.30 a.m. on MONDAY, the 5th February. Parcels must not be posted in a letter-box, but must be taken to the Parcels Office, where the necessary declaration as to their contents and value must be signed. Parcels addressed to Germany will also be received at the Parcels Office for transmission per German steamer Salier up to 9.30 a.m. on WEDNESDAY, the 28th February.

METEOROLOGICAL REPORTS.

Average annual rainfall for 34 years, 50·98.
Total rainfall from 1st January to 31st, 1·18.
Sydney standard barometer at 9 a.m., Wednesday, 29·66.

Maximum temperature at the Sydney Observatory on Wednesday, 78°; minimum, 65°.

STATE OF RAINFALL AT 9 A.M., WEDNESDAY.

Carnarvon, 29·73; Gascoigne, 29·99; Perth, 30·02; Esperance Bay, 30·18; Eucla, 30·10; Streaky Bay, 30·01; Adelaide, 29·96; Robe, 29·96; Portland, 29·79; Melbourne, 29·78; Wilson's Promontory, 29·63; Gabo Island, 29·74; Cape St. George, 29·81; Sydney, 29·66; Newcastle, 29·82; Port Macquarie, 29·87; Harrington Heads, 29·70; Brisbane, 29·61; Rockhampton, 29·62; Mackay, 29·69; Cooktown, 29·76.

SYNOPSIS AT 9 A.M., WEDNESDAY, BY MR. H. C. RUSSELL, GOVERNMENT ASTRONOMER.

New South Wales.—Fine in the N., cloudy, dull, or threatening in other parts, with rain falling here and there.

West Australia.—Cloudy on the S. coast; in other parts fine and clear.

South Australia.—Generally dull over S. districts: elsewhere fine with scattered clouds.

Victoria and Straits.—Generally overcast, and in scattered places threatening or showery.

Tasmania.—Cloudy to showery generally.

Queensland.—Showery on S.E. coast, also in parts of far N.; generally fine inland.

Central and N. Australia.—Unsettled throughout.

New Zealand.—Dull in the S.I., elsewhere fine and clear.

New Guinea.—Mostly fine, cloudy, fine; Cooma, N.W., strong, cloudy, sea rough.

RAIN HAS FALLEN IN THE PREVIOUS 24 HOURS TO 9 A.M. ON WEDNESDAY.

New South Wales.—Light to heavy showers in parts of coast, southern, and eastern districts. Albury, 0·25; Balranald, 0·24; Bathurst, 0·05; Bodalla, 0·48; Bowral, 0·44; Cape Sam Haven, 0·11; Cape St. George, 0·47; Carcoar, 0·14; Casino, 0·37; Clarence, 0·34; Cooma, 0·09; Coonamble, 0·05; Cowra, 0·08; Cudgellico, 0·37; Deniliquin, 0·06; Dubbo, 0·22; Eden, 0·16; Forbes, 0·06; Gabo Island, 0·15; Goulburn, 0·11; Grafton, 0·47; Hillston, 0·27; Katoomba, 0·42; Kiandra, 0·23; Lismore, 1·96; Manning Heads, 0·25; Mudgee, 0·29; Molong, 0·03; Moruyaguil, 0·27; Moruya, 0·11; Moss Vale, 0·12; Mount Hope, 0·06; Mount Victoria, 0·27; Murrumburra, 0·36; Newcastle, 0·01; Orange, 0·08; Parkes, 0·03; Port Macquarie, 0·36; Port Stephens, 0·13; Sydney, 0·04; Tabulam, 0·22; Tarago, 0·06; Taree, 0·40; Tenterfield, 0·02; Wagga Wagga, 0·13; Wentworth, 0·07; Wellington, 0·04; Wagga Wagga, 0·23; Wentworth, 0·07; Wilcannia, 0·08; Yass, 0·16; Yeoman, low; Barron River, at Walgett, 22ft., falling; Namoi River, at Walgett, 13ft., falling; Goondiwindi, low.

SEA OBSERVATIONS.

Goulburn, N.E., dull, 62°; Newcastle, S.E., fine, 75°; Moruya, calm, cloudy, 66°; Sydney, S.W., fine, 72°; Dubbo, S., fine, 80°; Forbes, calm, dull, 72°; Deniliquin, W.S.W., cloudy, 80°; Wilcannia, S., cloudy, 88°; Sydney, S.W., cloudy, 72°; Rain, Newcastle, 0·01; Sydney, 0·04; Smoky Heads, Bowral, Ballina, Samhaels, Bungendore, Burrowa, Byron Bay, Clarence Heads, Crookhaven Heads, Delegate, Inverell, Kiama, Lismore, Mount Victoria, Port Stephens, Terara, Wollongong, Yass.

COASTAL WEATHER REPORTS AT 8 P.M.

Tweed Heads, S.S.E., strong, squally, with heavy rain, sea very heavy; Byron Bay, S.E., strong gale, thick, raining, sea very heavy; Ballina, S.E., moderate gale, thick, raining, sea heavy; Clarence Heads, S., strong, showery, sea heavy; Woolgoolga, N.E., fresh, cloudy, sea heavy; Bellinger Heads, S.E., fresh, showery, sea heavy; Nambucca Heads, S., cloudy, sea heavy; Macleay Heads, S.E., fresh, showery, sea heavy; Crescent Heads, S.E., light, cloudy, sea very heavy; Manning Heads, E., light, cloudy, sea rough; Seal Rocks, E., fresh, fine, sea heavy; Port Stephens, E., fresh, fine, sea moderate; Catherine Hill Bay, N.E., light, cloudy, sea moderate; Newcastle, E.N.E., light, cloudy, sea slight; Norah Head, N., light, fine, sea slight; Wollongong, N.N.E., fresh, fine, sea smooth; Kiama, N.E., light, cloudy, sea slight; Crookhaven Heads, N.E., fresh, cloudy, sea rough; Jervis Bay, N., light, fine, sea moderate; Ulladulla, E.N.E. light, cloudy, sea moderate; Bateman's Bay, N.W., light, fine, sea moderate; Moruya, N.E., fine, sea moderate; Montague Island, W.S.W., light, cloudy, sea slight; Green Cape, W., light, cloudy, sea heavy; Gabo Island, W.S.W., light, showery, sea slight.

FORECASTS ISSUED AT 4 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY.

New South Wales.—Light to fresh winds, easterly on the coast, veering to N., and in southern parts to W. and S.W., generally hot, with some thunderstorms and showers.—H. C. Russell.

Victoria.—Moderately fine and cool, with scattered showers on the coast and ranges. W. and S.W. winds.—R. L. J. Ellery.

South Australia.—Showery and squally in S. and S.E., mostly fine inland. Cloudy, partially cloudy: southerly S.W. and S.E. winds, fresh on the coast.—C. Todd.

ASTRONOMICAL MEMORANDA FOR FEBRUARY 1.

Sun rises at 5.22, sets at 7.47.—Moon, 11 a.m., 3.38 p.m.; Mercury, 10.06 a.m., 7.18 p.m.; Venus, 7.21 a.m., 7.47 p.m.; Mars, 1.27 a.m., 1.45 p.m.; Jupiter, 1.20 p.m., 11.46 p.m.; Saturn, 10.46 a.m., 11.12 a.m.

NEW MOON, 6th; FULL MOON, 20th.

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TO-DAY.

Parramatta Electorate: Address by Mr. L. Dodds, Oddfellows' Hall, Manly, 8 p.m.
No. 28, Randwick, I.O.O.F.: Protestant Hall, 8 p.m.
Mr. Wentworth-Waley will address the ratepayers of North Sydney from Mr. Adamson's, Lord and Banks streets, 8 p.m.
King William III., No. 15, I.O.O.F.: Meeting Oddfellows' Hall, Newtown, 8 p.m.
Lyceum Theatre: "Beauty and the Beast," 7.30 p.m.
Her Majesty's Theatre: "True as Steel," 7.45 p.m.
Theatre Royal: "The Canman's Mouth," 8 p.m.
Criterion Theatre: "Charley's Aunt," 8 p.m.
Crystal Maze, Strand, Pitt-street, open from 10 a.m. until 10 p.m.
Tivoli Theatre: Mr. Harry Rickards's Minstrel and Specialty Company.
Cyclorama: Battle of Gettysburg.
Kensington Race Meeting: Special trams.
Sports at Lillie Bridge: To-night.

THE WEATHER.

THE GALE ALONG THE NORTHERN COAST.

SHIPPING CASUALTIES.

From Tweed Heads to Seal Rocks the sea was still heavy yesterday, and the wind at gale force between east and south-east. The morning reports of rain received at the Observatory were of an altogether lighter character than those of Tuesday, and were limited to the Central and the Eastern divisions. Very few places reported over half an inch, and out of 55 stations that had rain, only Bathurst, and Casino on the Richmond, had over half an inch. It was "like rain" nearly everywhere, but latest reports show that a fine change was coming on inland.

The shipping casualties noted on Tuesday continue to absorb attention. A wire from Port Stephens last night states that the Sydney vessel Sea Foam, in Shoal Bay, had become a total wreck there. She is insured for £700 in the Canton (distributed, of course), and it was thought worth while to send a tug steamer last night to Port Stephens, with Captain Hall on board, in order to see what the prospects of salvage are. One of Messrs. Fenwick and Co.'s steamers was employed, and a report may be expected during to-day.

Nothing satisfactory has come to hand with regard to the missing boat from the steamer Kanahooka. Our correspondent wired last night:—"The steamer Water Lily, which returned to Karuah as last night from the search for the missing men of the Kanahooka, left again early this morning after obtaining coal and provisions to continue the search. While away she picked up a paddle and one new oar."

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.)

ARALUEN, WEDNESDAY.

The weather is clearing after several days' rain. Five inches fell. The rain has benefited the grass crops and grass, but damaged the grapes, and is developing oidium. The mining claims washing sustained no damage.

BALLINA, WEDNESDAY.

A strong south-east gale is blowing, with rain squalls. There is a high sea on the bar and a strong freah in the river.

CASINO, WEDNESDAY.

Heavy rain has fallen nearly all the week. The river and creeks have risen considerably, but except on the low-lying lands no great damage is expected to the crops.

CORAKI, WEDNESDAY.

The river is up here about 15ft. The low country is all submerged, and a good deal of maize will be destroyed. It is still raining, with no prospects of clearing.

LITHGOW, WEDNESDAY.

After five days' showery weather, it now appears to be clearing. The fall was generally beneficial.

NYMAGEE, WEDNESDAY.

The rainfall for the past four days is 188 points. Is a southerly direction it was apparently much heavier. The weather is now fine. Six inches 77 points fell at Mount Hope.

SOUTH WOODBURN, WEDNESDAY.

There is every appearance of disastrous floods. The Tuckombill Creek is banking up, and in consequence the coming crops of sugar-cane and maize, which never looked more promising than now, are threatened with destruction. Some farmers are already moving their cattle. Had the flood escape-drain been excavated, the present flood waters would be discharged to the sea, instead of overflowing the plantations and farms. Over 12in. of rain have fallen this month.

SPRINGWOOD, WEDNESDAY.

The rain appears to be clearing off gradually. 52 points fell up to 9 o'clock this morning, since which it has been fine. The rainfall for the past month was 9·30in.

TRUNKEY, WEDNESDAY.

The weather up to last Tuesday was very hot; so that day the change came, heavy rain falling. On the night of the 27th the creeks were higher than on any former occasion for 25 years. The damage done to lawns and gardens has been very great.

TUMUT, WEDNESDAY.

During the first month of the year 438 points of rain have fallen, and the country around here is as green as it is in mid-spring. Grasses are jubilant, for grass and herbage never were more abundant than now at this season of the year. Farmers who were late in getting in the wheat have suffered some loss, but maize is the staple crop of this district, and this cereal gives promise of a phenomenal yield.

WILCANNIA, WEDNESDAY.

The recent rainfall was fairly general throughout the district. Some phenomenal falls are reported in places. At Fulham 7in. were registered; Ivanhoe, 3½in.; Booroorban, 4½in.; Mount Manara, 3in.; Baden Park, 4in.; Mombs, 3½in., 2in. falling in 20 minutes: Mena Murtie, 3in.; Dry Lake, 5in.; Nelyambo, 3in.; Morden, 3in. Light rains are reported from the upper river stations. The weather locally has still an unsettled appearance.

YAMBA, WEDNESDAY.

The Kallatina is barbound. The schooner Grecian Bend was off the bar this morning, but stood off, the sea being too heavy to cross in. A very heavy sea is running.

WOLLONGONG AGRICULTURAL SHOW.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR SPECIAL REPORTER.)

WOLLONGONG, WEDNESDAY.

The twelfth annual show of the Wollongong Agricultural Association was opened this morning with threatening weather, but at noon it was realised that there would be a fine day, and the attendance increased rapidly. A large number of visitors came by the morning train from Sydney. Parliament was represented by Messrs. S. Hyam, Brown, Hassall, and Campbell. Mr. Huenerbein came to judge the piano-playing; and Messrs. Day, Gray, Baldwin, J. Budd, and H. Hall lent valuable aid. Mr. D. L. Dymond represented Kiama, and Dapto and Albion Park also gave assistance. Taken as a whole the show was up to the average. So far this year there is no improvement in agricultural shows, and observers are of opinion that there are too many of them. So far as Wollongong is concerned, this show is always well managed. The president (Mr. Campbell) and the secretary (Mr. Beaton) have a good committee. The strongest feature of all this year was the collection of huggies shown. The main pavilion was well filled, but there was a falling-off in fine arts. The good sections were needlework, flowers, and farm produce. Cattle did not appear so large in number as at Albion Park and Kiama. Horses were numerous, but few were unknown. Thus what took prizes at Kiama are prize-takers here. The parade ring was moist and soft, and rendered jumping dangerous. The high jump was specially so, and mishaps were numerous, but no serious damage resulted. The following are the chief awards:—

Hood Horses.—Stallion, 3 years: E. T. Jenkins's Fernbank, T. W. Hungerford's British Lion. Colt, 2 years: Cochrane's Grand Chief, F. Wright's bay colt. Yearling colt: R. J. Thorne. Mare, 4 years: H. Cochrane, L. Carr. Fifty years: C. Frue, T. Quirk. Yearling filly: G. Rutledge. Draught stock, three-year-old colt: R. J. Thorne. Two-year-old colt: D. Manson. Yearling colt: J. Mercer. Mare, 3 years: D. Manson. Yearling filly: D. Manson. Pair of plough horses: D. Manson, E. Gibson. Pony stallion: J. Townsend, T. Makin. Pit pony: H. Jones, H. Thorne. Galloway in harness: Beattie Brothers, J. Price. Buggy horse: W. Seely, Mrs. Peck. Ladies' turnout: Miss Watson, Miss Warner. Miss Carberry on Phillips, chestnut. Ten horses competed in the high jump and 10 in the water jump, the decisions in which are reserved for the next day. In the competition for the ladies' hunters Miss Carberry had a heavy fall. Pony race under 12 hands; several were disqualified as over height: 1, Maxwell; 2, Thos. Ball. Farm horses: D. Manson, 1 and 2. A three-horse team. Piano test: Girls, Misses McInnes, Annie Young; boys, Leslie Dean, E. Bond. Singing: Women, three firsts and four seconds; G. W. Commens, two firsts and one second; L. Mood, one first; Finlayson, one first. The collection of vehicles was large and the workmanship excellent. Cattle: The chief winners in Ayrshire cattle were J. Lindsay, R. Wilson, J. Thomas. Jerseys: D. Hyam, C. Heninger. Champion for fat heifer: J. Dodgeon. Cow: W. H. Swan. Bull: J. Dudgeon, E. Gibson. Bull, 2 years: J. Barrett. Yearling bull: J. Dudgeon. Calf: E. Gibson. Cow in milk: W. H. Swan, J. Lindsay. Dry cow: E. Gibson, J. Lindsay. Pen of three cows: J. Lindsay, 1 and 2. Heifer, 2 years: Gibson Brothers, J. Lindsay. Pen of four heifers: W. H. Swan, E. Gibson. Yearling heifer: J. Lindsay. Heifer calf: C. J. Cullen, E. Gibson. Pen of three heifers: Gibson Brothers, C. J. Cullen. The chief winners in fat stock were:—L. Parsons, R. Cochrane, Hann: J. Lindsay, E. Gibson. Pigs: Woods Brothers, E. Gibson. Agricultural implements: Lassetter and Co., L. Berger. Wood, W. Edwards, Poultry: N. Shipp, Wood Brothers, Francis Thompson and Mould, W. J. Turner, E. M. Walker, A. Bignar, J. R. Thomson, T. Makin, F. Davies, T. Rathmell, J. Dunn. Fruit—Grapes: M. L. Gray. White grapes: W. Payne. Grapes, assorted: G. Geisler. The white winners in the section were: Geisler, T. Noonan, R. Walker, Thompson and Mould. J. Zeraas, Mrs. Guest, R. Elliott, Miss L. Gray, E. Gibson, E. Wilson, A. L. Brown, L. Berger. Noonan. Collection of fruit: E. Walker. Fancy basket of fruit: Miss L. Gray. Farm produce: R. Quinn, H. Ellison, J. Lindsay, W. A. Dennis, D. Manson, Gibson Bros., R. Elliott, E. Woods, R. Wilson, and T. Noonan. Collection: D. Manson. Dairy produce—Fresh and salt butter: P. Quinn. Separated butter: W. S. Henry. Robe farm Butter Factory. Champion prize for butter: J. Lindsay. Best display of bees: George Gordon, of Jamberoo.

IN PARLIAMENT.

The Legislative Council sat for several hours last evening, the principal matter under discussion being the motion for the second reading of the Reconstructed Companies Bill, which was in charge of the Attorney-General, who explained the main objects of the measure. After a short discussion, during which the principle of the bill was approved, the second reading was agreed to, and the bill was passed through committee without material amendment. The motion for the second reading of the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Act Extension Bill evoked a protest from several hon. members, who thought that the powers proposed to be conferred upon the board in compelling owners of property to connect with the mains were too extensive. The second reading was, however, agreed to, and the House having gone into committee progress was made as far as clause 8, when, in deference to the wish of several hon. members, further consideration of the measure was adjourned until the following day. During the evening Dr. MacLaurin said, in answer to a question, that the Government is taking steps to recover damages from the owners of the steamship Age for the injury recently done to the Pyrmont Bridge by that vessel. The President announced that the Governor had assented to the Temporary Supply Bill, and he also stated that a message had been received from the Assembly requesting the Council to proceed under its Standing Orders with the Real Property Act Amendment Bill. The House agreed to adopt this course, and the bill will be considered this afternoon.

As is usual when any little excitement is promised, the galleries were crowded when the Legislative Assembly met yesterday, and members entered the Chamber with an air of subdued expectation. Even the ladies showed a great interest in the expected scene, for the gallery devoted to their use was exceptionally well filled. The questions and other formal matters were hurried through as speedily as possible. By 5 o'clock everything had been cleared off, and a crowded House awaited the appearance of the editor of the *Evening News*, who had been specially summoned to appear at the bar, and to give evidence with regard to certain paragraphs which had appeared in his paper. The anticipated scene, however, was delayed for a while, since the Premier took the course of moving that the order of the day for the editor's examination be discharged. Sir George, in a brief and concise speech, asked the House to reconsider its position, because, though it was naturally reasonable that members should be indignant at the statements which had appeared, the Assembly was absolutely powerless to do anything in the matter. An instance, which occurred some four years ago, showed that the attempt to examine a stranger at the bar of the House only brought contempt on the Chamber, which had no power to punish a witness if he refused to give evidence. If members wanted more authority, then they must take steps to amend the Constitution Act, and ask the Imperial Government to grant them powers which would enable them to support the dignity of Parliament.

The Premier's signal for retreat, though it offered an easy way out of the difficulty in which members had placed themselves by their vote of the previous evening, was welcomed but coldly. Mr. Young agreed that the order should be discharged, and Mr. Crick was of the same opinion, though he could not entirely lose sight of the legal aspect of the question. Repeating his remarks of the previous evening, Mr. Crick went to a good deal of trouble to show that, under the Parliamentary Evidence Act, the Assembly really had the power to summon a witness to the bar, and to secure his punishment by the Supreme Court if he refused to give evidence. On the other hand, Mr. Carruthers condemned the proposed withdrawal as an act of cowardice, which would prove to the public that this House, having decided to summon a witness to the bar, was now afraid of the consequences of its own action. Mr. Traill, who had voted with the majority on the previous evening, now took up a repentant attitude, and admitted that his vote had been an indiscreet one. This about exhausted the list of Government supporters, and it soon became apparent that the House was not at all in a repentant mood, and was not inclined to admit that it had committed any error. As the originator of the motion, Mr. Neild, of course, strongly opposed its withdrawal, and then, just before 6 o'clock, the House went to a division, and the Government found itself left distinctly in the lurch. Proportionately the support which it received was less than on the previous evening, for whilst the first division was 53 to 24, the second one was only 79 to 32. The Government minority was made up of the Ministry and a few of its more faithful supporters, the only prominent freetrader who crossed the Chamber being Mr. Young. The labour party and the Opposition united against the Premier, and thus the House declined to follow the Premier's lead.

In respectful silence members waited whilst the formal summons was read, and Mr. Hogue was marched up to the bar of the House, which on this occasion was represented by the long table which ordinarily serves for the purpose of holding official papers. He seemed perfectly cool and collected, but the visitors, who were anxiously watching him, were disappointed, since, as soon as the gentleman appeared at the table, attention was called to the presence of strangers. Two members—Mr. Crick and Mr. Wall—rose simultaneously to perform this office, and the result was an immediate clearance of the galleries.

In accordance with a decision given by the Speaker last session, by which the sessional order on the subject was declared to be *ultra vires*, the *Hansard* reporting staff, as well as the press representatives, were turned out of the galleries, and members had the political arena to themselves. As the chief mover in the affair, Mr. Neild took upon himself the task of cross-examination, and, after the Speaker had reminded Mr. Hogue of the reason why his presence was required, the energetic member for Paddington opened fire. Mr. Hogue readily admitted his knowledge of the paragraphs complained of, but firmly declined to express any opinion as to their truth. Again Mr. Neild returned to the attack, and tried to learn the name of the gentleman who wrote the paragraphs, but once more he was foiled. As a journalist, Mr. Hogue declined to disclose secrets which were not his own property, but he admitted that the information on which the article was based was not supplied by a member of Parliament. The paragraphs were written by a regular member of the staff of the paper, but no pressure which Mr. Neild or any other member could bring to bear would serve to drag out the gentleman's name.

At this stage the deadlock, which had seemed inevitable all along, arrived, and the Speaker was appealed to for a decision whether the question was lawful or not. A ruling was necessary on this point, because, under the Parliamentary Evidence Act, a witness summoned by Parliament is compelled, under penalty of imprisonment, to answer any "lawful" question. Eventually the question was ruled to be an allowable one; but Mr. Hogue, though he was warned of his dangerous position by the Speaker, met Mr. Neild's repeated query with a decided negative. As this was supposed to amount to an act of contempt, the Assembly now had to consider what should be done; and, whilst the Clerk busied himself preparing a warrant, Mr. Neild moved that Mr. Hogue, having refused to answer a lawful question, be adjudged guilty of contempt of Parliament. Mr. Haynes came to the defence of Mr. Hogue, pointing out that this gentleman had only acted rightly in refusing to disclose his employers' secrets. After this members retired to dinner, though the interval for rest and refreshment did not seem to lessen their excitement. The lobbies were filled with an animated crowd, and the peculiar turn which events had taken provided material for heated argument. When the House met again the discussion on Mr. Neild's motion was resumed, and Mr. Crick again secured the exclusion of the press, though, as several ladies were present, Mr. Chapman arranged an amusing interlude by raising the question whether ladies could properly be regarded as strangers. The Speaker having decided that the fair ones, who in the meantime occupied seats in the lobby, could not be admitted, the Assembly went on with its appointed work; and after an exciting discussion, in which Mr. Cotton and other members defended Mr. Hogue's refusal to infringe the code of journalistic action, a division was taken at half-past 8. The interest felt in the subject was shown by the large number of members who voted, a majority of 91 being in favour of the motion and only 6 against it. The minority which came to Mr. Hogue's support consisted of Messrs. Miller, Chapman, Torpy, Stevenson, Carruthers, and Lees. Having got this far, members seemed uncertain what to do next, and an interval of confusion followed, which was only terminated when Mr. Young moved that Mr. Hogue, having been judged guilty of contempt, should be imprisoned for a month.

Then Mr. Hogue, who had in the meantime been brought into the Chamber, was given an opportunity to speak in his own defence. In the course of a vigorous address he took exception to the judicial position which the Assembly had taken up. He held that he was merely a witness, and that, in accordance with the practice which universally prevailed in courts of law, he could not be compelled to answer a question which might, for all the House knew, incriminate himself. He absolutely refused to shift the responsibility for the paragraphs in question from his own shoulders to those of another person, and in taking this course he was guided by the accepted rule of journalism—that the names of writers should not be divulged.

The speech was listened to with due respect by the House, though one little incident which occurred threatened to turn the proceedings into a farce. Whilst Mr. Hogue was in the midst of his remarks members suddenly burst out into uncontrolled laughter, and Mr. Hogue, not knowing the reason, stopped his speech, and informed the Speaker that he would resume when members ceased their levity. Even the Speaker could hardly keep serious, but in a low voice he pointed out that it was not Mr. Hogue members were laughing at, but "only the cat." This was the fact. Though strangers were rigorously excluded, the guardians of the Chamber had failed to keep out the harmless household cat, and the animal marched across the chamber with grave and unconcerned mien. Some legislators, it appeared, mistook the creature for a rat, and whilst the question was being decided there was an interchange of chaff, which entirely drew members' attention from the serious duties before them.

The debate as to the term of imprisonment which should be meted out to Mr. Hogue occupied the House for several hours. There was evidently a large number of members who were in favour of a more lenient course than that proposed by Mr. Young; and the leader of the labour party, Mr. Cook, suggested that the punishment should be merely a nominal one, and that Mr. Hogue should only be called to the bar and reprimanded. The leader of the Opposition took a similar view, and moved an amendment to the effect that Mr. Hogue should merely be committed to the custody of the Sergeant-at-Arms for a period not stated, instead of being sent to gaol. Towards 11 o'clock this amendment was carried by a large majority, and the House having thus practically decided that the accused should not be punished at all, adopted the only possible course and negatived the original motion for Mr. Hogue's imprisonment by 55 votes to 32. This gentleman was now practically free, and there was nothing left to do but to pass a formal motion releasing him from custody. Thus the long evening's debate came to an unexpected conclusion, and amid the cheers of members the galleries were thrown open to strangers. The public poured into the Chamber, since an exciting debate was anticipated on Mr. Hindle's motion of censure against the Government for refusing to accept the resignation of the Minister for Lands. It was only for a moment, however, that light was thrown on the proceedings, since Mr. Crick again drew attention to the presence of strangers. Under the circumstances, Mr. Hindle, remarking that he would leave the public outside to judge the right and wrong of the affair, declined to proceed further with his motion, and the House adjourned.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

PERTH GAMBLING CASE.

PERTH, TUESDAY.

The application by Mr. R. S. Haynes on behalf of plaintiff in the case of Reany v. the Committee of Tattersall's Club, for an injunction, was heard before the Chief Justice in the Supreme Court to-day. The object of the injunction was to prohibit defendants from preventing plaintiff exercising the privileges as a member of the club, from which he had been expelled by them. The case arose out of a gambling affair in the club, in which plaintiff was accused of having won a large sum of money by improper means. Mr. Parker, Q.C., appeared for the defendants. The case excited considerable interest. After hearing counsel, his Honor found for plaintiff, on the ground that Mr. Simpson, M.L.A., one of the committee who was present at the passing of the resolution expelling the plaintiff, was personally interested in the passing of the resolution, which also provided for the cancellation of certain debts incurred at play. The injunction will be continued to the date of trial of the action brought by plaintiff against defendants to recover damages for wrongful expulsion. It was agreed between the parties, by their counsel, that the injunction should be made perpetual, and that each side should pay its own costs. This, it was understood, practically settled the whole action.

NEW ZEALAND.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

AUCKLAND, WEDNESDAY.

It is not expected that the Imperial Passenger Act will be enforced in New Zealand. The action of the Sydney Customs authorities is unanimously condemned in shipping circles.

A married daughter of Mr. W. Swanson, M.L.C., committed suicide to-day by strangling herself with a handkerchief.

PLATTSBURG MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

REMOVAL OF THE CO-OPERATIVE COLLIERY'S TRAMWAY.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

NEWCASTLE, TUESDAY.

A special meeting of the Plattsburg Municipal Council was held this evening to consider a resolution moved by Alderman Cook at a previous meeting in connection with the removal of the Co-operative Colliery's tramway across Fletcher and Wentworth streets. There was a large attendance of ratepayers. Unusual interest was taken in the proceedings. The Mayor (Alderman Steel) explained the reason for calling the meeting, and called for an expression of opinion from the aldermen. The council had read correspondence upon the subject, including the council's letter to Mr. Laidley requesting him to have the tramway removed, or else the council would do so within seven days; also a reply from Messrs. Laidley and Moore, Messrs. Stephen, Jaques, and Stephen, warning the council that should action of that kind be taken an injunction would be applied for immediately to prevent such procedure, as it was calculated to injure the colliery business. Alderman Cook said there was not the slightest necessity for calling this meeting after what had been said by Mr. Pigott, solicitor, namely, that it was illegal for the council ever to have given permission to put the tramway down. As to the letter from Messrs. Stephen, Jaques, and Stephen, it was not worthy of consideration. It was clear now that the resolution passed at the last council meeting to remove the tramway should be carried out at once. He maintained that the Act only gave the Co-operative Company power to connect with the Wallsend Coal Company's line, but not to lay down tramways. It was in the interest of the community to have this tramway removed. He moved,—"That the council take immediate steps to remove this dangerous obstruction complained of, viz., the tramway crossing Fletcher and Wentworth and other streets, and that the commencement of removal take place to-morrow morning." Alderman Edsall seconded the motion. Alderman M'Rae thought that if the motion were carried it would have a disastrous effect upon the borough. It would throw a great many ratepayers out of employment. He opposed the motion. Alderman Weakley spoke at great length against the motion. The Mayor defended his action in prolonging the pulling up of the tramway and in calling the meeting that night. He had hoped something might happen to adjust matters amicably. He put the motion, and declared it carried by five to two, the dissentients being Aldermen M'Rae and Weakley. The council then rose.

WEDNESDAY.

At Plattsburg the council's labourers have commenced this morning pulling up the Co-operative Colliery's tramway, upon which the skips are drawn to and fro from the screens. This means a total stoppage of work at the colliery till other means of removing the skips are found.

The action of the Plattsburg Municipal Council in removing the tramway of the Co-operative Colliery must bring forth sad fruit, independently of depriving the miners of their means of livelihood, by practically closing the colliery. A number of storekeepers and tradesmen generally, who have trusted the miners while the pit was idle, and hoped that operations would be shortly resumed, and enable them to continue in business, will now in many cases have to close their stores altogether, being quite unable either to give further credit or to get back money owing on account of there being no work for those in their debt.

SPECIAL CABLES.

FROM THE *HERALD'S* LONDON CORRESPONDENTS.

THE FRENCH NAVY.

LONDON, JAN. 31.

Speaking in the French Chamber of Deputies last night, M. Lockroy made a severe attack on the administration of the navy, which, he declared, was not in an efficient state. He asserted that many French ports were open to successful attack.

M. Dupuy, the President of the Chamber and the ex-Premier, disclaimed all responsibility in the matter, but promised that an inquiry should be instituted.

THE CZAR'S ILLNESS.

LONDON, JAN. 30.

A telegram from St. Petersburg states that the Czar is improving. His cough is easier.

His attack of illness was a sudden one.

LATER.

The Czar has further improved, although he is still feverish.

JAN. 31.

The Czar's attack of bronchitis is abating, and he is now able to sleep.

THE PLOT IN BULGARIA.

LONDON, JAN. 30.

The brothers Ivanoff have been sentenced to 15 and three years' imprisonment respectively for the late plot to murder Prince Ferdinand of Bulgaria.

THE EGYPTIAN QUESTION.

LONDON, JAN. 30.

The Khedive of Egypt has agreed to submit the successor to Maher Bey (late Under-Secretary for War) to Great Britain for approval.

JAN. 31.

Lord Cromer, the British Agent and Consul-General at Cairo, has warned the Khedive that his next outbreak of hostility to the British will result in his deposition.

MR. ROBERT REID AT SHEFFIELD.

BANQUET BY THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

LONDON, JAN. 31.

Mr. Robert Reid, the Victorian Minister of Defence, who is visiting England in the interests of Victorian commerce, has been entertained at a banquet by the Sheffield Chamber of Commerce.

In the course of his speech Mr. Reid ridiculed the view that Australia would collapse under disaster, and said that any idea of repudiation was absurd. He declared that millions had been spent upon Australian coastal defence, and asserted that some of the fortified ports were a credit to the Empire. It was important that England should see that her maritime commerce was amply protected.

Mr. Reid said that the colonists wished to maintain the British connection. Labour troubles and the undue encroachments of the workers had been a fruitful cause of the recent financial and industrial crisis. Sixty per cent. of the trades-unionists in Victoria were lately without employment. Australia had sown her wild oats, and was now entering upon a new career of prosperity.

THE AMERICAN TARIFF.

LONDON, JAN. 31.

Telegrams from Washington indicate that the Tariff Bill will pass the House of Representatives by a majority of from 15 to 20.

A ROYAL ACCOUCHEMENT.

HEIR TO THE BULGARIAN THRONE.

LONDON, JAN. 31.

Princess Ferdinand of Bulgaria (formerly Princess Marie Louise of Parma) has given birth to a son. The event has been marked by great rejoicings in Bulgaria.

MR. MICHAEL DAVITT.

THE BANKRUPTCY ORDER ANNULLED.

LONDON, JAN. 30.

The Court of Appeal has annulled the order of the Bankruptcy Court adjudging Mr. Michael Davitt a bankrupt.

THE BLINMAN COPPER MINE.

LONDON, JAN. 30.

Mr. Rosewarne, formerly inspector of mines in South Australia, has been appointed manager of the Blinman Copper mine, South Australia.

PRIVY COUNCIL APPEAL.

LONDON, JAN. 30.

The Privy Council has reserved its decision in the appeal of the West Australian Land Company v. Forrest.

N.Z. AND RIVER PLATE LAND MORTGAGE.

LONDON, JAN. 30.

The report of the directors of the New Zealand and River Plate Land Mortgage Company has been adopted.

THE FRENCH BUDGET.

LONDON, JAN. 30.

M. Anatole Leroy-Beaulieu, the French statesman and publicist, estimates that there will be a deficit of £5,000,000 in the French Budget next year.

PUGILISM.

JACKSON v. CORBETT.

LONDON, JAN. 31.

The Cosmopolitan Club at San Francisco offers a purse of 20,000dol. for a fight between Peter Jackson and James Corbett.

WOLFE'S SCHNAPPS.
£1 orders are to be found with large bottles.—[ADVT.]

SPECIAL CABLES.

FROM THE *HERALD'S* LONDON CORRESPONDENTS.

THE CIVIL WAR IN BRAZIL.

LONDON, JAN. 30.

The insurgent warships in the harbour at Rio de Janeiro fired upon the United States squadron which escorted some trading vessels to their berths. The American squadron had previously cleared for action, but did not return the fire of the rebel vessels. The American admiral considers that the United States Navy has been insulted.

In reference to the parleying for a termination of the present strife it appears that the American admiral, whose mediation was sought by Admiral di Gama, the insurgent commander, refused to treat with Di Gama unless he became reconciled to President Peixoto. This he declined to do.

President Peixoto declined to receive the American admiral.

The foreign commanders at Rio de Janeiro report that the insurgents have complete control of the harbour. They have asked their respective Governments if they shall use force in order to protect the foreign shipping.

[The above appeared in our second edition of yesterday.]

JAN. 31.

It is reported that Admiral di Gama, the insurgent commander in Rio Harbour, fired upon the American squadron, and that a sharp engagement followed, resulting in the complete surrender of Admiral di Gama.

LATER.

Later details as to the encounter between the insurgent fleet and the American squadron state that while Admiral Benham, in command of the American fleet was escorting a trader to her berth Admiral di Gama's flagship, the Guanabara, fired upon the trader. The American cruiser Detroit fired a shell at the Guanabara, and was about to follow with a broadside when the Guanabara signalled to the American admiral to cease firing, Admiral di Gama at the same time offering to resign his sword. The insurgent admiral then called a council of his officers, expecting that they would all seek an asylum on board the American fleet; but the younger officers refused to surrender.

Admiral Benham states that by his failure to surrender Admiral di Gama lost an opportunity afforded him for an easy way out of the trouble.

The Brazilian rebels have captured Port Madamo, thus cutting off communication with the Government troops. A number of the latter have joined the insurgents.

It is expected that Nictheroy, a suburb of Rio, which has hitherto remained loyal to the Government, will surrender to the insurgent commander.

Lord Rosebery, the British Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, has declined to dictate that hostile operations at Rio de Janeiro should be restricted in order to suit British interests.

CAPTAIN RUPERT LEIGH.

LONDON, JAN. 30.

Captain the Hon. Rupert Leigh, aide-de-camp to Sir Robert Duff, Governor of New South Wales, has been promoted to the rank of Major.

THE PARIS ANARCHISTS.

LONDON JAN. 30.

The Anarchists of Paris have taken a house overlooking Vaillant's prison in order to dynamite the headsman at the execution of Vaillant.

JABEZ SPENCER BALFOUR.

LONDON, JAN. 30.

The Attorney-General of the Argentine Republic has referred the question as to the extradition of Jabez Spencer Balfour to a superior court.

FRENCH DUTY ON BREADSTUFFS.

LONDON, JAN. 30.

A bill has been introduced in the French Chamber of Deputies raising the import duty on wheat to 7*f.* It also raises the duty on flour in a similar proportion.

PROCEDURE IN THE AUSTRALIAN LAW COURTS.

LONDON, JAN. 30.

Sir Julian Salomons is making inquiries among the highest legal and judicial experts in London as to the possibility of cheapening and simplifying the procedure in the colonial law courts.

FREEHOLD INVESTMENT BANKING COMPANY.

LONDON, JAN. 30.

The London and Glasgow creditors of the Freehold Investment Banking Company, in liquidation, have accepted Mr. James Balfour's compromise, viz., to pay £5000 for dividends alleged to have been improperly paid out of the capital.

Mr. James Balfour was formerly a director of the above company. Mr. Balfour, it appears, was the only one of the late directors who would be able to financially respond to the claims of the company for the recovery of dividends alleged to have been improperly paid out of the capital, and negotiations led to an offer by Mr. Balfour to pay £5000 in instalments extending over nearly 10 years. This offer the liquidators advised the creditors to accept.

BURGLARY AT AN EMBASSY.

LONDON, JAN. 30.

A burglary has been committed at the American Embassy in Rome. The archives were destroyed.

WRECK OF A BARQUE.

LONDON, JAN. 30.

The Scotch barque Port Yarrock has been wrecked off the coast of Ireland. Twenty-five persons were drowned.

[A number of the above cablegrams appeared in our second edition of yesterday.]

SPECIAL CABLES.

FROM THE *HERALD'S* LONDON CORRESPONDENTS.

FOUNDERING OF THE LOCH SHIEL.

THE CREW SAVED.

LONDON, JAN. 31.

The ship Loch Shiel, bound from Glasgow to Adelaide, has foundered off Milford Haven, in Wales. The crew was saved.

By last mail advices were received that the Loch Shiel was loading for Adelaide a general cargo, and was to move to another port for gram home. The ship has for many years been in the trade to Melbourne as one of the "Loch line." The Glasgow Shipping Company are the owners. The Loch Shiel made a passage to Melbourne from Glasgow in 80 days, and she was reputed to be one of the cleanest-bodied ships afloat. She was built by D. and W. Henderson, of Glasgow, in 1877, when the passenger trade to Australia was a feature by sailing ship. The Loch Etive, Loch Ryan, and Loch Sloy are sister ships.

VICTORIA.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

RAILWAY EMPLOYEES AND THE SPEIGHT FUND.

MELBOURNE, WEDNESDAY.

The Railway Commissioners to-day issued the following circular with regard to the collecting of contributions from the railway employees towards the fund being raised to assist Mr. Speight:—"The Commissioners have reason to believe that efforts are about to be made to raise subscriptions throughout the department towards the expense incurred by the contending parties in the recent libel suit, Speight v. Syme. In view of the necessity of the department taking a neutral attitude and discountenancing any demonstration which may assume a political significance, the Commissioners direct that no facility be given on either side to further such object, and instructions are to be given at once that the representatives of the parties referred to are not to be allowed inside the premises of the department during business hours for the purpose mentioned."

THE MELBOURNE HARBOUR TRUST.

MELBOURNE, WEDNESDAY.

At the fortnightly meeting of the Melbourne Harbour Trust this afternoon an audited statement of the Trust's receipts and disbursements for the year 1893 was received from the Audit Office. The statement shows that the revenue of which the Government received one-fifth amounted to £121,514, and that the revenue not subject to this deduction amounted to £8799, making, with refunds and trust accounts, a total of £131,604. The total expenditure, including the contribution of one-fifth to the Consolidated Revenue, amounted to £230,984. The net funds in hand on the 31st December last amounted to £136,075.

REDUCTION IN DEPOSIT AND DISCOUNT RATES.

MELBOURNE, WEDNESDAY.

The banks have decided to reduce both their deposit and discount rates by ½ per cent. The following is the memorandum of the secretary to the banks advising the reduction:—"The banks have unanimously agreed to a reduction of ½ per cent. from to-morrow, 1st February, in the deposit rates, which will then be as follow:—For 3, 6, and 12 months, 2½ per cent., 3½ per cent., and 4½ per cent. respectively; and have also simultaneously agreed to a similar reduction in the discount rate, which will then be 7 per cent., in place of 7½ per cent.

MELBOURNE, WEDNESDAY.

A girl named Marjorie Gibbes, aged 15 years, daughter of Dr. Murray Gibbes, was drowned in the Goulburn River at Moorcopna this evening while bathing.

An inquest was concluded to-day on the body of an unmarried woman named Elizabeth Lucy Coade, aged 32. The jury returned the following verdict:—"We find that at North Fitzroy, on the 13th January, William Paul Walkley Green and Isabella May Green performed an illegal operation on the deceased Elizabeth Lucy Coade, and that Frederick Dickenson, or Frederick Wirth, and Richard James Murdoch Connor were accessories before the fact." The four persons were committed for trial at the criminal sittings of the Supreme Court on 15th February on a charge of murder.

The complete schedule of T. B. Muntz, civil engineer, was filed in the Insolvency Court to-day. The liabilities amount to £39,311, assets £30,329—deficiency, £8982.

The twenty-second annual meeting of the Australian Widows' Fund was held to-day. The chairman, in moving the adoption of the report and balance-sheet, said that last year they added £85,000 to their funds. This year the amount added exceeds £100,000. The report and balance-sheet were unanimously adopted, and Mr. J. M. Pratt and Mr. Simon Fraser were re-elected directors. The meeting concluded with the usual votes of thanks.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

A MELBOURNE LIQUIDATION.

CENSURE BY A CHIEF JUSTICE.

ADELAIDE, WEDNESDAY.

Representations were made before the Chief Justice to-day by the official liquidators in South Australia for the Federal Bank in response to an application by Mr. A. Priestly, of Melbourne, to remit him all the moneys in hand collected in South Australia for the purpose of assisting him to pay a dividend of 2s 6d in the £, South Australia retaining just sufficient to pay local creditors. Mr. Muirhead, on behalf of the local liquidators, quoted figures showing that Mr. Priestly proved by his own affidavit that he had not yet settled the list of contributories. There had been collected in Victoria 3s 7¾d in the £; in Sydney, 7s 9¼d; and in Adelaide to date, 10s 9d. His Honor said that the liquidation in Melbourne was conducted in an extremely unsatisfactory and dilatory manner. The application was refused, with costs.

ADELAIDE, WEDNESDAY.

The R.M.S. Parramatta arrived at 5 o'clock this afternoon from London. The mails for the eastern colonies will be forwarded by to-morrow's express.

In the Executive Council to-day Messrs. Robert Kelly and Walter Ifould were appointed a pastoral board, at salaries of £450 per annum. Mr. Kelly was lately a member of Parliament.

The Royal Agricultural Society to-day decided to memorialise the Government to endeavour to induce Professor Lowrie, the Professor of Agriculture, to withdraw his resignation.

The Parliamentary party, returning from the inspection of the Murray banks, report having found only one site available and suitable for the proposed village settlements which are advocated on behalf of the unemployed.

The Industry sailed from Port Piris for Sydney to-

AMUSEMENTS.

LYCEUM THEATRE.

The closing nights of "Beauty and the Beast" are drawing large audiences to the Lyceum Theatre, where last evening Mdlle. Bartho was specially singled out for enthusiasm. At the end of the hornpipe the accomplished danseuse received a floral star tied with the Russian colours, and bearing the Russian motto, "Ewa li Gudi!" ("May you be a Guiding Star!") To-morrow night Mr. George Lauri will take his farewell benefit, when the comedian will sing for the first time a new comic song, "Just Because I Loved Her." Miss Marietta Nash will sing in costume the coster ballad, "There's Something about 'er as Fetches Yer;" and there will be other additions to the regular programme. There will be two performances on Saturday.

CRITERION THEATRE.

Since the success of "Charley's Aunt" became assured at the Criterion Theatre, Messrs. Arnold and Thornton have been besieged with applications for a matinée performance. A round-robin, signed by ladies living in the suburbs, finally turned the scale, and Mr. Thornton has decided to play his somewhat exhausting part twice on Saturday week. The afternoon performance will then begin at half-past 2, and the box-plan will open at Nicholson's this morning, so that suburban playgoers will have ample opportunity for booking early.

ORGAN RECITAL.

The City Organist opened his recital at the Town Hall yesterday afternoon with Handel's splendid "Concerto in B Flat." The foundation stops of the instrument were here employed to emphasise the solidity of effect which characterises the composition. Mr. Wiegand played this fine concerto with weight and faultless executive power. Guilmant's "Prayer and Cradle Song" followed. The berceuse was first enunciated upon the cornopean, from which, however, it was soon transferred to the new orchestral stop lately added to the organ. The bell effect is one the ear soon grows weary of, but Mr. Wiegand used it sparingly, and his sound judgment was shown in the result—a hearty encore. In the repetition, the bells in the allegro, the final cadenza of the melody. Mozart's "Non piu Andrai," from the "Noaze di Figaro," was performed for the first time, but made little impression. Beethoven's aria, "Otu la cui dolce possanza" ("Fidelio"), was also new, and proved one of those immortal airs which seem always to retain their first freshness. Dussek's "Consolation" (B flat), a famous piece of elegant music, also pleased the audience. The artist gave a brilliant rendering of Bach's "Grand Fugue in D Major," and in De Vilbac's "Caprice in G" the glockenspiel stop supplied the clever pipe imitation of bells which formerly did duty for a genuine peal. In Martini's simple "Gavotte" the carillon suggested its musical—and here, too, the audience was enthusiastic. The City Organist will play again on Saturday night.

OPEN-AIR MUSIC.

The movement in favour of open-air music received a further impetus last night, when the Sydney Amateur Military Band played selections in the Hyde Park pavilion. Mr. W. Hutchinson conducted the band in his own "Civic Knight" march, dedicated to the Mayor of Sydney; in "The Turkish Patrol" (Asch), the "Scherzando" from Beethoven's "8th Symphony," and other pieces. The music was well rendered, the night air was pleasant, and an immense audience followed the programme with evident interest.

HARRIS-STREET WESLEYAN MISSION.

The monthly meeting of the Temperance Society in connection with the Wesleyan Mission, Harris-street, Fyrmont, was held on Monday last, when a programme consisting of songs, recitations, and dialogues was submitted. The Rev. James Colwell and Evangelist Knox gave short and appropriate addresses.

CONCERT AT NORTH SYDNEY.

A concert was given last evening in the North Sydney School of Arts in aid of the funds of the Christ Church (Anglican) Cricket Club. There was a large attendance. The following contributed to a lengthy programme:—Miss Ruby Warren and Messrs. A. Russell, Bede Hinchey, F. Stoddart, M. Fitzpatrick, F. Dick, J. Donnelly, Cherry, and Williams. A farce, "The Result of a Bad Night," terminated the proceedings.

BALMAIN THISTLE CLUB.

The quarterly social gathering took place in the Temperance Hall, Balmain, on Monday night, there being an unusually large attendance. Mr. J. R. M'Clymont, together with the chief (Mr. John Easton), secretary (Mr. Allan Smith), treasurer (Mr. S. Campbell), and the committee, worked hard to make the gathering enjoyable. The music was provided by Messrs. Williamson and M'Pherson. In an interval an adjournment was made to the committee-room, and the toast "Success to the Balmain Thistle Club" was drunk.

GOVERNMENT GAZETTE.

The following notifications appeared in the *Government Gazette* which was issued on Tuesday:—

THE NAVAL BRIGADE.—Mr. D. J. Newmarch to be a surgeon, Sub-Lieutenant F. W. Hixson to be lieutenant, and Midshipman J. Banks to be sub-lieutenant in the Naval Brigade.

GOVERNMENT MEDICAL OFFICER.—Mr. W. H. Jermyn to be Government medical officer and vaccinator at Nyngan.

TRUSTEE.—Mr. W. Coles to be a trustee of the General Cemetery, Rookwood, in place of Mr. J. Wetherill resigned.

LICENSING INSPECTORS.—Senior-constable J. G. Draper to be district inspector under the Licensing Acts for the Richmond River, and Senior-constable W. P. Byrne to be district inspector for the Tweed River.

NEWTOWN COURT OF PETTY SESSIONS OFFICE.—Mr. W. J. Perry, probationer, and Mr. E. W. Trotter, temporary clerk in the Petty Sessions Office at Newtown, to be junior clerks in that office.

RETIREMENTS.—Mr. J. M'Leod, inspector of stock, Balmain, has retired from the Civil Service. The undermentioned officers have retired from the Civil service:—Architects' Branch—Mr. E. S. V. Spencer, assistant architect; Mr. E. Ramsay, assistant architect; Mr. A. Cook, clerk of works; Mr. R. S. Wilson, clerk of works; Mr. J. W. Wills, clerk of works. The undermentioned officers will retire from the Civil Service on the dates specified, viz.:—Head Office: Mr. W. H. Quodling, chief accountant, 31st May, 1894. Harbours and Rivers Branch: Mr. J. Laing, dredge master; Mr. J. Rorison, dredge master; Mr. H. Orr, dredge master; Mr. D. S. Kirkwood, dredge master; Mr. J. Hoey, dock superintendent, all on the 31st January, 1894; Mr. A. Williams, principal assistant engineer, 28th February, 1894. Roads, Bridges, and Sewerage Branch: Mr. E. J. Statham, supervising engineer; Mr. E. A. Nardin, supervising engineer, both on the 30th June, 1894.

NEW SCHOOL.—It is proposed to establish a new Public school at Wingello, near Murulan, in lieu of the existing provisional school.

NOTICES TO MARINERS.—The New Zealand Government draws the attention of mariners to the fact that depots of provisions and clothes for castaways are lodged at Auckland, Campbell, Antipodes, Snares, and Kermadec Islands, in situations indicated in the notice. The three white lights, in the form of a triangle, hitherto shown from a lamp-post at the end of the eastern Tee, Queen-street Wharf, Auckland, have been removed, and are now exhibited from a small lantern-tower over the roof of the new goods-shed. The harbour-master at Kaipara reports that a circular knoll, about two cables in extent, and having only two and a half fathoms of water on its shal-lowest parts at low-water spring tides, has made up on the outer edge of the Kaipara bar, about three-quarters of a mile north-west of the line of beacons.

COMMONS.—Messrs. J. Doyle, J. Vaubel, G. Baggster, A. Tyler, and C. Bailey to be trustees of the Test Hill temporary common.

STOCK INSPECTORS.—Messrs. T. T. W. Mackay, Wanaaring, and J. F. Keighran, Hay, have passed the requisite examination, and second-class certificates of competency have been issued to them.

TENDERS.—The following tenders have been accepted:—Thos. Drummond, erection of bridge, Shoalhaven River, at Bombay Crossing; A. G. F. Cree, construction, &c., of artesian borer, at Bendemeer; messrs. Beerwinnis, Goodcogs, and Waigett; Robt. Colville, erection of bridge over Cow Creek, road Moulamein to Koondrook: Robt. Colville, erection of bridge over Wakool River, road Moulamein to Koondrook: Austin Cullen, construction of band-pressed timber punt for Moulamein, Hunter River: Thos. Maher, erection of bridge over Wilson River, at Ballengarra: Geo. Bingley, sinking, &c., artesian bore, on surveyed railway line, Narrabri to Moree. Supply of stores, 1894: Goodeart Bros., Hooker, and Co., awnings, sails, &c. (to be manufactured in the colony), Sydney district, &c.: Jas. Clark, rope, awnings, sails, &c. (to be manufactured in the colony), Hunter River district: Potts and Paul, wire rope, &c.: Hordern Bros., anchors, chains, &c., Sydney and Hunter River districts; Smith and Kopsen, brooms, brushes, &c. (to be manufactured in the colony), Sydney district, &c.: Holdsworth, Macpherson, and Co., brooms, brushes, &c. (to be manufactured in the colony), Hunter River district: William Henderson, draftsmen's materials, Sydney district, &c., and draftsmen's and surveyor's instruments, Sydney district, &c.: Briscoe, Drysdale, and Co., engineers' stores, Sydney and Hunter River districts: John Keep and Sons, Limited, ironmongery, schedule No. 1, Sydney and Hunter River districts: Federal Timber Company, hardwood, Sydney district: J. Broomfield, rope (to be manufactured in the colony), Sydney district: Wood, Paton, and Co., steel, Sydney and Hunter River districts: Brown and Brown, wrought iron, wrought scrap iron forgings (to be manufactured in New South Wales), Sydney and Hunter River districts: A. S. Searle, indiarubber goods, leather belting, hose, &c. (to be manufactured in the colony), Sydney and Hunter River districts: Champion Kalsomine and Metallic Paint Company, paints, colours, &c., schedule No. 2 (to be manufactured in the colony), Sydney and Hunter River districts: Fairfax and Roberts, clocks, &c.: J. Danks and Son, plumbers' materials, schedule No. 1, Sydney and Hunter River districts: Farmer and Co., chairs, Sydney district, &c. Thomas Brown, stone, Maitland district: W. D. Mozham, stone, Parramatta district: Hordern Brothers, carpets, &c., 1894 and 1895: Walker and Gould, furniture, 1894 and 1895: Milne Brothers, plumbers' and gasfitters' materials, schedule No. 2 (to be manufactured in the colony), Sydney and Hunter River districts: J. B. Barclay, iron, brass, and gunmetal castings (to be manufactured in the colony), Hunter River district: Hudson Brothers, Limited, colonial pine, Baltic, &c., Hunter River district; New Zealand Timber Company, oregon and American redwood, Sydney district; Hudson Brothers, Limited, oregon and American redwood, Hunter River district; New Zealand Timber Company, Kauri pine, Sydney district; John Russel, window blinds, Sydney district, &c. Services, 1894: C. H. Bland, sweeping chimneys; E. G. Grace, cleaning, &c., carpets, &c. Conveyance of coal, 1894: North Coast Steam Navigation Company, Newcastle to Macleay River, Newcastle to Manning River, and Newcastle to Bellinger River; B. M. Corrigan, Newcastle to Tweed River: North Coast Steam Navigation Company, Newcastle to Richmond River, Newcastle to Hastings River, and Newcastle to Clarence River: De Fraine, Maxwell, and Co., Newcastle to Camden Haven; W. S. Tayler, Wollongong to Shoalhaven.

REAL PROPERTY SURVEYORS.—The undermentioned licensed surveyors have been specially licensed under the Real Property Act, 26 Victoria, No. 9, for the current year, viz.:—Bathurst, A. Lale: Bombala, A. Elsworth: Bourke, L. V. D'Apice and A. W. Mullen: Burwood, E. A. Harris: Dubbo, H. M. Terry: East Maitland, W. R. Fulrer: Goulburn, S. W. Alexander: Gunnedah, J. Evans: Hay, S. A. M'Dougall: Narrandera, J. J. Bavlis: North Richmond, G. M. Pitt: Orange, W. Cowler and F. W. Moppett: Rylstone, J. Dawson: Sydney, E. A. Bonney, R. W. Gibbin, W. A. Lewis, J. Miller, S. Pollitzer, C. W. Potter, and W. M. Thompson: Tamworth, J. F. Finn: Wellington, S. H. Dawson: West Maitland, W. H. Foster.

WESTERN SUBURBAN RAILWAY FARES.

MEETING AT ASHFIELD.

With a view to taking steps to secure the reduction of fares on the western suburban railway line, a conference of municipal representatives was held in the Ashfield Town Hall last night. Alderman Stanton (Mayor of Ashfield) presided. Letters expressing sympathy with the movement were received from Alexandria, Burwood, Erskineville, Concord, Canterbury, Enfield, Granville, Leichhardt, Rookwood, Newtown, and other councils which had been invited to co-operate.

Alderman Brown (Ashfield), as initiator of the movement, said it was not intended in any way to reflect upon the Railway Commissioners. As representatives of the various suburbs they thought, however, that the time had arrived when a concession might be made as to the fares on these lines. Everything had gone down in price lately. The cost of steam communication had gone down three parts, while on the suburban railway line travellers had to pay more than they had 18 years ago. In 1876, 21 trains ran daily between Ashfield and Sydney, and the cost of season tickets was £8 first-class and £5 11s second-class. The charges now were £8 10s and £5 17s 9d respectively. He moved,—"That this united meeting of western suburban municipal councils approach the Railway Commissioners by deputation on the subject of reduction of passenger fares on the line between Macdonaldtown and Parramatta inclusive."

Alderman Quigg seconded the motion, and suggested that it be made to apply to the Illawarra line also.

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The motion was carried unanimously.

THE ANNUAL REPORT.

In the annual report it was shown that on the 31st December, 1893, there were in the institution 93 boys and 83 girls; total, 176. During 1893 there were admitted, from parents and relatives, 16 boys and 16 girls, which brought the total up to 208. There were discharged, to parents or relatives, 10 boys and 7 girls; apprenticed to subscribers, 10 boys and 7 girls; otherwise discharged, 1 boy and 1 girl: total, 23 boys and 13 girls. On the 31st December there remained in the institution 86 boys and 86 girls. The total expenditure for the year, on account of maintenance, education, and general management, had been £4058 5s 11d, making the average cost £23 1s 2d per head, deduction being made of the amount paid by parents on account of their children. The sum of £182 7s 2d had been expended on repairs to buildings.

RESOLUTIONS.

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Mr. HICKS seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Mr. STARKEY moved, "That Mr. James Stedman be elected honorary treasurer for 1894."

Mr. PEARCE seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS.

The following gentlemen were elected to fill vacancies on the board of directors:—Messrs. T. J. Houghton, M.L.A., W. Kippax, J. M'Pherson, and Alderman Dean.

THANKS TO THE OFFICERS.

On the motion of Mr. Williamson, seconded by Alderman Dean, and supported by Mr. Quong Tart, the best thanks of the subscribers were voted to the officers for their services.

PRESENTATION OF PRIZES.

A very large number of suitable prizes were presented to the children by Mrs. S. J. Brien, Mrs. Darvall, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rickards and their company, after which an inspection was made of the various departments, which were found scrupulously clean and in beautiful order.

N.S.W. RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the members of the New South Wales Rifle Association was held at the rooms of the United Service Institute, St. James's-chambers, King-street, last evening. The chair was occupied by Commander Connor, R.N., but the attendance was not large.

OPERATIONS OF THE YEAR.

The annual report of the council of the association, copies of which were distributed to members, stated that the operations of the year had been much restricted chiefly, by the reduction of the Parliamentary grant by one-half, viz., £500; second, by the disbandment of the Reserve Rifle Companies. Both of these causes had militated against the usual success which had followed the association for so many years past, but notwithstanding these drawbacks the year's work showed an excellent result.

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Regarding the price of ammunition, the report went on to say that the council very much regretted that it had been considered necessary by the Government to raise the price of ammunition to its present high rate of 12s per 100 rounds. This charge was simply prohibitive, as riflemen could not afford to pay so high a price. The council would urge that steps be at once taken to induce the Government to reduce the charge. What costs 1s 3d here could be obtained in several of the other Australian colonies for 6d. In the country the charges were considerably higher, as the cost of railway freight was added.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The balance-sheet submitted by the acting hon. treasurer (Captain Oldershaw) showed that the receipts of the past year amounted to £2870 9s 8d, the principal sources of income being:—entrance fees for several matches, £1330 6s; Government grant, £500; members' subscriptions, £257 1s; entrance fees for continuous matches, £254 13s 6d; sighting tickets, £314 1s. The expenditure was £3093 1s 5d, the chief items being general and special cash prizes, continuous match prizes and medals and trophies, £2225 16s; salaries, rent, and incidental expenses, £201 14s 8d; cost of conducting prize meeting, £487 10s 3d. The balance at the credit of the association was £740 1s 11d.

ADOPTION OF REPORT.

The CHAIRMAN in moving the adoption of the report and the balance-sheet congratulated the members of the council upon the work accomplished. In reviewing the work of the year he referred to the loss sustained by the association by the death of Colonel Jaques, and the retirement of Major Longfield.

Discussion ensued, in which grievances were ventilated, and the motion was eventually unanimously carried.

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On the recommendation of the council the rules were amended in many respects. The principal alteration was that of making the commander of the forces for the time being the senior vice-president and an ex officio member of the council.

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BALMAIN FERRY PROCEEDINGS.

At the Balmain Police Court yesterday, before Mr. F. W. Edwards, D.S.M., several cases were disposed of dealing with the rivalry existing between the respective ferry companies. Percy Davis, master of the old Balmain Ferry Company, proceeded against T. M'Manus for using insulting words towards him. Mr. P. H. Sullivan appeared for complainant, and Mr. W. P. Crick for the defendant, who pleaded not guilty. The evidence of Percy Davis went to show that M'Manus used the words in the information. Defendant, amongst others, was constantly down on the wharf annoying the servants and passengers of the old company, and plaintiff took the present proceedings to have it stopped. Mr. Edwards considered the case proved, and fined the defendant £2, with 7s 4d costs, in default one month's imprisonment. In another case, Henry Burton was charged, at the instance of Mr. F. J. Paris, inspector of nuisances for the borough of Balmain, with loitering on the Bald Rock Wharf on the 14th January last. The magistrate fined the accused 14s 10d, in default three days' imprisonment.

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SPORTING INTELLIGENCE.

THE TURF.

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Companies.	Capital paid up.	Amount of Shares.	Shares paid up.	Last Div. per annum	Prices. Last Sale.	Buyers.	Sellers.
BANKS.	£	£	£	p.c.			
Australian J. S.	939,541	10	6	5	44/6	40/	48/
Bills, Deposit, Negotiable	...	...	...	...	14/9	14/9	15/3
Bills, Inscribed	...	...	...	...	13/	13/	...
Australasia	1,800,000	40	40	7½	...	...	...
City	240,000	10	8	6	85/	80/	85/
New Issue	120,000	10	6	...	...	...	...
Com. of Syd-ney, Ltd.	781,000	12½	12½	10	20½	...	20½
Com., Ltd., B	...	12½	2½	...	2½	2½	2¾
Colo. Deposit	...	...	...	...	18/	18/	18/3
Dist. of Aust.	1,472,650	10	4½	4½	...	...	...
Gn. Preference	...	10	10	10	...	...	...
N.S. Wales	1,625,380	20	20	13½	29½	29	29½
Nth New	...	...	...	...	28½	28½	...
New Rights	809,000	5½	5½	5	5/	5/	5/3
New Zealand	...	5	5	...	...	6/7½	...
Nth.	...	5	2½	...	...	...	5½
On N.Z. Regis.	...	5	3½	...	7/6	6/7½	7½
Prov.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Qland National	860,000	8	3½	...	...	7/6	...
Qtln. Deposit	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Royal of Q'land	300,000	5	4	...	...	...	...
Union	1,500,000	75	25	8	34½	34	35½
STEAM.							
Balmain Ferry	39,350	12/6	7/6	...	2/10	2/9	4/
Newcastle and H. B.	160,000	1	1	6	10/3	...	...
North Coast ex div.	121,743	1	17/6	6	...	12/	14/
Illawarra	66,382	5	4	10	...	...	...
S. S. Ferry	60,000	1	1	6	29/6	...	30/
Port Jackson	60,000	5	3	5	3/	3/	...
INSURANCE.							
A. U. S. Fire	12,500	1	2/6	20%	10/6	10/	...
City M. Fire, v d	15,000	1	2/	10	1/7	1/7	...
Mercantile Mut.	15,000	1	2	8	5/6	5/4	...
New Zealand	200,000	10	1	15	6½	...	...
Oriental	62,500	10	2½	12½	84/	80/	84/
Pctn. New	5,725	10	12/6	...	11/	...	...
Sun. Fire.							
Australian, v d	691,785	6	6	9/	12	11½	11½
City of Sydn's	10,000	1	1	10	...	...	...
South Shore	62,277	1	1	6	...	...	...
Reserves.							
Australian	92,000	1	1	...	10/	...	9/6
Contingent and Guar'd.	200,000	1	20/	7	15/	...	13/3
Marshall's	93,750	1	15/	...	2/3	...	2/
National	87,500	1	15/	5	...	...	...
Nelson, New	...	...	15/	5	...	...	...
South's	900,000	1	20/	8	15/	14/6	15/6
MISCELLANEOUS.							
Australian Electrical Exch.	17,500	1/	10/	8	...	...	5/6
Aus. Kerosene	180,000	1	20/	8	17/6	...	16/
Bris. coal	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Colonial Sugar	1,598,450	20	20	10	26½	26	26¾
Do.	...	20	20	...	...	...	...
Gas and Co.	1,000,000	20	15	8	36/	...	...
Haslam Bros.	150,000	10	10/	...	...	...	...
Hills, New	15,000	1	1/	...	...	...	...
Kandos, v d	34,000	1	1/	5	...	...	10/
Mort's Dock and Engin'g	71,250	12/	12/	...	3/6	3/6	4/
Mutual Wood	60,000	1	1	...	...	...	...
Shale and Oil	66,250	1	12/3	7½	5/2	...	5/6
Syd. Bath	30,000	10	10	10	17	...	...
Syd. Tramway	60,750	10	10	...	...	...	...
Syd. Hydraulic	65,000	1	10	5	11/6	10/6	12/
Tramway Trust	480,000	1	10	...	9/9	8/	...
Waratah	197,806	5	1	20	2/6	...	...
INVESTMENT AND FINANCE.							
Mtge de Pat'ers div.	68,000	1	20/	10	20/	...	20/
Mortgage Guarantee	...	...	...	...	...	...	2/6
Perm. Trustee	25,000	5	2/6	...	1/3	1/5	1/9
Perpetual Trustee	25,000	10	5/	6	10/	9/6	10/
Scottish Fin'l'e.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Industrial Prov.	...	20	20	7	16	...	...
Land Credit	87,930	1	1	...	10	...	...
Scottish Aust'n'l	18,750	1	7/6	10	6/	5/	10/

We understand that at a meeting of bank managers to-day it was resolved to reduce the bank deposit rates in New South Wales by one-half per cent. They will then be 4½ per cent. for deposits lodged for 12 months, 3½ per cent. for six months, and 2½ per cent. for three months. The change will come into operation on Friday. The banks in Melbourne have resolved on a similar reduction of rates. This change is no doubt warranted by the strong position held by the banks. The average returns for the December quarter published in this and other colonies show a large addition to the reserves. Those figures being only averages, may be said to represent the state of the banking funds about the middle of November. Within the past nine or ten weeks in this colony the trade returns have shown a large excess of imports of gold in addition to local production, so that the position, so much stronger as it was then, has been still further strengthened since. No doubt, also, squatters and farmers' overdrafts have been reduced within the past month or two on the receipt of the proceeds of wool clip and crops. The realisation of securities in this way has doubtless given the banks reserves of strength which make them less concerned for the receipt of deposits, and in consequence they have determined to reduce the rates, a change which will certainly be followed after a time when money is received at the lower prices by a reduction in the lending rates. No doubt the effect of the present movement towards cheaper money will tend to give a stimulus to business in various directions, and generally prove conducive to the well-being of the community. It was but a question of time when the change should come, and it is fair to assume that the published banking averages warrant its being made at present. The most recent alterations of the bank rates for 12 months' deposits have been as follow:—

Feb. 20 to June 8, 1893	4 per cent.
June 9 to Aug. 31, 1893	4½ per cent.
Aug. 31 to Feb. 1, 1894	5 per cent.
Feb. 2, 1894	4½ per cent.

The changes in 1893 were more frequent than usual, owing to the special circumstances of the year.

The principal features of our analysis of the banking averages of the last quarter of 1893, published elsewhere, compare with the figures of several preceding quarters as follows:—

Deposits.	Note Circulation.	Coin and Bullion.	Advances.	Percentage of Reserves to Liabilities.
	£	£	£	p. c.
Sep., 1892	35,035,100	1,389,471	6,902,911	44,451,170	24·9
Dec., 1892	35,564,192	1,420,871	5,313,935	44,158,729	15·1
Mar., 1893	34,889,140	1,420,871	5,369,018	43,977,967	15·3
June, 1893	34,855,708	1,535,196	5,584,701	43,900,084	15·7
Sept., 1893	33,171,118	2,197,389	6,781,508	42,967,227	16·3
Dec., 1893	31,181,997	1,806,439	5,973,976	41,117,682	15·1

These figures do not indicate any such marked disturbance as might have been anticipated in a year of such disturbance as has been passed through. Within 12 months there has been a shrinkage of deposits amounting to £4,423,000. Advances have declined to a smaller extent. The additions to capital, with a small addition to the circulation, have enabled the banks to fairly sustain the requirements of borrowers, and at the same time to add £660,009 to their reserves. The return of the note circulation towards normal limits is a satisfactory feature of the position. This together with the large accretion to the stock of coin and bullion, make the banks so exceptionally strong, that they are enabled, through other favourable changes which have since taken place, to make the movement before referred to for the reduction of rates. Within the 12 months the percentage of reserves to liabilities increased from 13·1, or 2s 7½d in the £, to 18·1, or 3s 7½d in the £, and next quarter's figures will doubtless show a still more favourable position.

The export of gold from Sydney for the month of January was valued at £168,405, of which £161,114 was coined and £2291 uncoined. For the four weeks ended the 27th instant the import of gold into Sydney coastwise amounted to £126,086. The import for the four weeks exceeded the export for the full month by about £160,000.

Our cablegram this morning published an encouraging report of the Union Bank. Elsewhere it is announced that a dividend at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum for the past half-year is payable from to-morrow (Thursday).

The Customs collections in Sydney for the month of January amount to £186,151 6s 6d, against £179,957 15s 1d in January, 1893. There is a decrease of £12,806 8s 7d, being equal to 7·1 per cent. The falling-off cannot be regarded as satisfactory. Nevertheless the revenue of the month was more than that of December and several other months of last year, and the decrease was smaller compared with the same month of the preceding year than that of any of the past 13 months. The amount and percentage of falling-off every month last year ranging from £29,537 and 14·7 per cent. to £51,040 and 24·7 per cent. respectively.

The annual meeting of the Assets Realisation and General Finance Company was held to-day, when the report, of which we have already given some particulars, was adopted unanimously. Messrs. T. F. H. Mackenzie and James Johnson were re-elected auditors at a reduced remuneration. A vote of thanks was passed to the directors and officers. Afterwards an extraordinary general meeting was held, and a resolution unanimously approved reducing the number of directors to three; and three having resigned, Messrs. T. R. Alli, J. Plummer, and R. A. Cape will continue as the directors for the time.

At the half-yearly meeting of the Aarons's Exchange Hotel Company, held to-day—Mr. T. H. Kelly presiding—the directors' report and balance-sheet were submitted and approved. A dividend at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum was declared, and Mr. Alfred Bacon was elected in the place of the retiring director, Mr. George Panton.

The half-yearly meeting of the New South Wales Mont de Piété Deposit and Investment Company was held to-day, Mr. S. Payten in the chair. The report, of which we have already given a summary, was adopted, and a vote of thanks passed to the directors and officers.

In our advertisement columns it is announced that a dividend of 6d per share is payable in the Universal Plate Glass Company.

The seventh part of the Census Paper, dealing with the habitations of the colony, compiled by the Government Statistician, has just been published.

IMPORT MARKET.

Distributors have a fair number of orders in hand for the first of next month, otherwise the Import market is exceedingly quiet. Different people have different ways of accounting for the slackness of trade, but the one point on which they are all agreed is that it is very slack indeed; and, although everyone has confidence in the recuperative powers of the country, it is very difficult at present to see where any improvement is coming from. The low prices at which materials are offering, and the superabundant supply of labour available should have some effect in stimulating industrial enterprise. Probably no opportunity so favourable as the present has occurred for many years.

Breadstuffs are unaltered, and the same remark is applicable to wheat. The reduction in the price offered by millers seems to have checked supplies, as last week only 1177 tons were received at Darling Harbour, against 2020 tons in the corresponding month of last year. Our cable message gives the respectable decrease of 180,000 quarters in the quantity of breadstuffs afloat for the United Kingdom and the Continent. It is worthy of note that hardly a country in the world produces this year such heavy wheat as Victoria. The Melbourne Chamber of Commerce have declared the average weight of Victorian wheat this year to be 63½lb. per imperial bushel. Samples from 35 districts were weighed, and ranged from 62½lb. to 65½lb., the heaviest coming from the Portland district. The actual average was 64lb., but last some of the samples should be above the average of the districts from which they came, the Corn Trade sectional committee fixed the average weight as stated above. The "bumper" wheat crop in Russia only averages 55lb. per bushel, which sufficiently explains the low price at which it is selling.

The remains quiet. It is probable, however, that the market will be tested at auction next Wednesday with some fine Chinas, which are at present in small compass and well held. The following sales were reported to-day:—25 chests Ceylon broken pekoe, 13d; 45 chests Ceylon pekoe souchong, 6½d.

In dried fruits not much business came under notice. A parcel of 100 boxes sultanas was sold at current rates, and distributing sales were made at 4½d to 4¾d.

In general groceries candles are offering more freely, with an easy market. DRJ may be quoted ex store 6¾d to 6¾d, but to place a fair parcel these prices would be shaded. Messrs. Dibbs, Roubaix, Jenar, and Co. are commencing to manufacture a special candle, of a second quality, to compete with the colonial production, and are offering it at 4d per lb. f.o.b., London. American canned fruits are rather scarce, and command full prices, say from 11s 6d to 13s 6d, according to brand and assortment. Among other sales mentioned were:—10 cases Van Houten's asserted cocoa; ½-ton Epsom salts; 10 cases sheep's tongues, 7s 6d; 5 cases Neave's food, 5 cases Nestle's ditto, 100 boxes Swinborne's gelatine, 10 cases Williams's essences lemon and vanilla, 35 cases Robinson's patent groats, 50 cases Bee curry, 50 cases Symington's coffee essence, distributing sales of salt salmon, 4d to 4¼d; several sales of Keen's blue, and 50 cases Crown packet hops, 6½d.

Messrs. Fraser and Co. inform us that they sold by auction this morning 50 half-barrels Canadian salt salmon, 3¾d; 27 barrels, 3¾d; 212 casks 6t. Louis lager beer at a satisfactory price considering condition; 350 cases Stephens's vinegar, 4s 2d, net cash; 9 cases ditto pint sauce, 4s 9d; and 9 bags coffee, 65d.

Wines and spirits were quiet. For export 36s f.o.b. was paid for Hennessy's one-star brandy, and business in three-star was mentioned at 47s. A few trade sales of genevra were made at 10s for 15-bottle, and 10s 6d for 16-bottle. A little business in Martell's brandy, John Jamieson and Sons' three-star whisky, and Boar's Head stout also came under notice. Malt and hops were quiet. The Tasmanian hop crop, it is stated, will be late this year, but, so far, promises to be of excellent quality.

Oils were quiet; 250 cases Luxene kerosene were taken for export at importers' price, and purchases of kerosene, duty paid, were made for the country at 13½d.

In chemicals the following sales were reported:—Trade sales: Caustic soda, £14 10s; soda crystals, £4 12s 6d; cream of tartar, 10d to 10½d; tartaric acid, 12½d to 13d; lump glucose, £21 10s; 25 tons whiting, 52s 6d; 2 tons bluestone, 1 ton sulphur, ½ ton arsenic, £24; 196lb. phosphorus, 10 drums bisulphide of carbon.

In jute goods negotiations are proceeding for the future supply of woolpacks from Calcutta, but no definite business came under notice. Cornsacks are unsettled, and could be bought at lower prices in view of the early arrival of the Clesbury. There is, however, little demand. Brushes are also offering rather more freely. Of jute goods in the Adelaide market Messrs. John Darling and Sons write on the 29th instant:—"Jute goods Market steady, demand being evidently supplied, and the season for importation, no doubt, is over. Values are 5s 6d on the spot. Cornsacks. For immediate requirements small trade lots, both here and Victoria, at which a limited business is doing."

Auction sales of marsupial skins were held to-day. Prices were unchanged, except for rabbit-skins, which were lower, and opossumskins, which had a slack market owing to the poor quality of the skins forward.

At Darling Harbour to-day 753 bales of wool were manifested; 90 bales came to hand from the Hunter River, and 42 bales were received by rail at Newcastle.

COMMERCIAL TELEGRAMS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MELBOURNE, WEDNESDAY.

Wheat is active at 2s 5d. Algerian oats are weak at up to 1s 6½d. Barley is firm up to 4s 6d. Moderate sales were made of Queensland and Mauritius manufacturing sugar. 800 half-chests Panyong sold at 6d to 7d; 300 quarters bonds, 9d. Fish is active. Ling, 4d to 4½d; salt salmon, 3d, 3½d, 4d. Cornsacks are worth 5s 7d to 5s 8d, with a good export inquiry. Kerosene is firm. A large transaction to arrive has been completed.

The Stock and Share market continues very inactive. To-day's business was below even the late average, but there was no great change in quotations. Among investment stocks Victorian Government 4 per cent. bonds changed hands at par, and Board of Works 5 per cents., 10 years' currency, at £102 12s 6d. Commercial Bank deposit receipts sold at 16s 6d, and London at 16s 3d. Metropolitan Gas are firm, with sales at £7 17s 6d to £7 18s; National Insurance quitted at 10s; National Trustee, 14s 6d; Trustees, Executors, and Agency, 30s; Tarrawingee Flux, 28s; Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus again quitted at 8s 1½d; Silverton Tramway improved to 33s. Coal companies' shares continue dull. A sale of Jumbuna was made at 5s 3d for preference, and 5s 1½d to 5s for paid-up ordinary shares.

ADELAIDE, WEDNESDAY.

The wheat market continued exceedingly dull to-day, business being done at 2s 6d.

BRISBANE, WEDNESDAY.

Little business is doing in the sugar market. First whites are quoted at from £18 to £18 10s per ton; second plantation whites, £17 10s.

PRODUCE INWARD.

MELBOURNE, WEDNESDAY.

The Peregrine left to-day for Sydney and Queensland ports with 3037 bags chaff, 1115 bags 30 half-bags 260 quarter-bags flour, 504 bags onions, 1427 bags potatoes, 113 bags oats, 231 cases fruit, 211 packages tea, and 31 sacks peas.

HOBART, WEDNESDAY.

The Oonah sailed for Sydney last night with the following cargo:—1661 cases 1801 half-cases 199 cases fruit, 12 bundles bags, 6 kegs ale, 3 pieces machinery, 585 bags bark, 13 crates strawberries, 82 cases jam, and sundries.

AUCKLAND, WEDNESDAY.

In Dunedin oats business is quiet. Prime milling is quoted at 2s 0½d to 2s 0¾d; best bright feed, 1s 11½d to 1s 11¾d; medium to good, 1s 9½d to 1s 10¾d.

ENGLISH COMMERCIAL.

[BY CABLE.]

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, JAN. 30.

WHEAT MARKET.

The quantity of wheat and flour afloat for the United Kingdom is estimated at 2,692,000 quarters, against 2,764,000 quarters last week and 2,772,000 quarters at this time last year. The quantity afloat for the Continent is estimated at 936,000 quarters, against 1,044,000 quarters last week and 448,000 quarters at this time last year. The net decrease for the week is 180,000 quarters.

BUTTER MARKET.

The Oceana's Victorian and Adelaide butter brought from 104s to 108s; fancy qualities from 110s to 112s.

WOOL SALES.

At the wool sales to-day the market was unchanged. Medium and lower sorts continue weak.

The following were the average prices obtained for fleece wool:—Meryula, 7¼d; Canonbar and Terrick, 7¼d; Tarriaro, 7¼d; Narrung, 8d.

STEAM SHIPPING COMPANIES.

Shares in the undermentioned steam shipping companies are respectively quoted as follows:—

Union Steam Ship Company of New Zealand, 8. Peninsular and Oriental S. N. Company, preferred 136½, deferred 186½.

THE PRODUCE MARKETS.—WEDNESDAY.

TRADE IN SUSSEX-STREET.

As month is added to month it becomes more and more evident that it is only a matter of time—and in the opinion of many a short time—when the farmers of this colony will unassisted be able to supply the whole of its wants. The increasing importance of the Redfern sales, and the controlling effect that they are having upon the produce market generally, is daily becoming more manifest. So large have been the supplies received by rail from the various inland districts that it was found necessary quite recently to hold the sales earlier than usual, and to make some distinction between the sales of potatoes, pumpkins, maizes, and allied products, and ordinary forage lines of hay, chaff, &c., so as to enable buyers in every direction to attend at a reasonable time. During no previous period, perhaps, has the growing influence of the railway been so noticeable as during the month just closed. In maize particularly, but more especially the latter lines, the Redfern auctions fixed the market price for the metropolis. An unusually heavy supply by rail meant a weakened tone, and limited receipts had the opposite effect. This could be counteracted with such certainty that a glance at the manifests was all that was needed to satisfy one as to the probable immediate turn in the market. And always provided these indications permitted of no variation. Last year New Zealand, Victoria, and Tasmania were practically supplying this market with maize at this time of the year, while this season supplies from Victoria have been entirely washing, while those from New Zealand have not nearly reached last year's figures.

FEEDGRAINS MARKET.

No movement appears in this market, business being curtailed to the most limited proportions.

The closing quotations were:—

Maize.—Bull. Tuscot, 3s 6d to 3s 6d; new, 3s 3d per bushel.

Oats.—Prime Algerian, 3s 6d to 3s 6d; new, 3s 3d per bushel.

Barley.—Cape, 4s to 4s 1d; new, 3s 9d per bushel.

Peas.—Dun, 3s to 3s 1d; grey, dull, at 4s to 4s 2d; and blue, scarce, at 4s 6d to 4s 9d per bushel.

Chickwheat, 2s 11d to 3s per bushel.

BREADSTUFFS.

Business was quiet at late rates, viz.:—New South Wales, fine, sold, £8 7cn to £8 12s 6d; and £8 5s to £8 5s; and millers offer 2s 11d for new milling wheat, Sydney delivery.

BRAN AND POLLARD.

Bran.—Dull, at 7d; and pollard in fair demand at 8½d; city millers quote 9d per bushel.

POTATO MARKET.

Victorian chaff can now only be quoted at £3 10s for good samples, extra prime green occasionally bringing 2s 6d or more. The market was plentifully supplied in inferior qualities. About 100 bales of lucerne were forward this morning from the Hunter. There being none available at the railway, the demand was well sustained on the market.

The closing quotations were:—

Chaff.—Prime Victorian, £3 10s; extra green samples, £3 12s 6d to £3 15s; medium, £3 to £3 5s. Local, £3 10s to £3 £5 15s; medium, from £3 5s per ton.

Hay.—Prime scarce. Local oaten, in bundles, medium, £3; prime, £3 10s per ton.

Lucerne.—Supplies small. Prime Hunter River, £2 10s to £3; best railway, in bales, nominally £3 to £3 5s per ton.

Straw.—Unsaleable. Local bundled, nominally £2; derrick-pressed, £2 per ton.

POTATO MARKET.

At the railway 680 and from the Hunter 800 bags made up to-day's supply. At Redfern prices were a shade easier for the generality of lots, although the best lots showed but little disadvantage as compared with yesterday. Circular Heads ranged from 3s 3d to 3s 6d for the bulk of the supplies, a few choice lots realising as high as 3s 10d per cwt. On the wharfs prices were unchanged.

The closing quotations were:—

Hunter River, £3; railway, Bluechins, prime, £3 5s to £3 6s 6d; extra prime, £3 10s 6d per ton.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Onions.—Large supplies came forward to-day, the wharfs being now very heavily stocked. Prices declined very considerably. Prime Oulaco quoted at £4 per ton.

Beetroot.—Dark, 8½d; good bright, 10½; coloured, 10½d per lb.

Honey.—From 3d to 3½d per lb.; extra pure, 4d.

Lard.—Dull. Finely rendered, in bladders, 3d to 4½d; bulk, 3d to 3d per lb

DAIRY PRODUCTS.

Eggs were very scarce, and almost unquotable. Other lines continued dull and unchanged.

The closing quotations were:—

Butter.—The official quotations of the Dairy Farmers' Association are:—Best creamery, Berrima, cold climate, and choicest brands, 8½d; factory, 7d to 8d; and dairy, 6d to 7d. Mudgee district quoted at 7d to 8½d per lb.

Eggs.—Firm and scarce. Nominally 9d to 10d per dozen.

Bacon and Hams.—Easy. Hand-cured bacon, 6d to 6½d; machine-cured, 5d to 5½d. Hams: Colonial, 11d; English, 1s 2d: New Zealand, 1s 0½d per lb.

Cheese.—Large supplies. Market dull. Best brands of ordinary, 3½d to 3d; small loaf, 3d to 3½d; special brands, 4d per lb.

Poultry.—Supplies large, demand small. Fowls, 2s to 2s 9d, best 3s; ducks, 2s to 2s 6d, best 2s 9d; geese, dull, 3s to 3s 6d; turkeys, cocks 3s to 11s, hens 5s to 6s.

Fish.—

At the wood sales at Darling Harbour this morning only a small supply was forward. Root wood, 3s 6d to 10s 6d; billet wood, 6s to 9s; hundled wood, 6s 6d to 9s; bakers', 7s to 9s; and bark, 5s to 7s per ton.

RAILWAY SALES.

This morning's supply consisted of 41 trucks, of which potatoes greatly predominated. Considering that to-day is the last of the month, and also remembering that supplies at Redfern have been very heavy for some time past, the buoyancy of the market must be remarked. Although prices perhaps were not so high as might have been wished, there was still the whole of the supply was satisfactorily disposed of. The top price received for chaff was 3s 6d per cwt., but better quality was passed for higher figures. Top price for potatoes, £4 10s. Carrots and onions were again difficult to move at 3s, but agents were indisposed to take less. Maize sold at 3s 8d. Pumpkins ranged from 1s 9d to 4s 6d, and cucumbers from 3s 9d to 5s 3d, according to quality. 680 bags of potatoes were submitted, 3s 10d being the top price realised.

Appended are the quotations of the Railway Commissioners actually submitted at to-day's sales:—Chaff, 9; hay, 3; straw, derrick-pressed, 3; maize, 1; watermelons, 4; pumpkins, 2; potatoes, 1; and potatoes, 16 (680 bags).

The number of trucks manifested this morning was 56, being apportioned as follow:—Chaff, 14; hay, 3; straw, 7; potatoes, 404 bags; pollard, 220 bags; bran, 45 bags; maize, 420 bags; oats, 60 bags; flour, 320 sacks; melons, 1 truck; and pumpkins, 1 truck.

Among the consignees were—Messrs. Ellis and Co., J. THURGOAR, Butter and Egg Salesman, Agent for the Mudgee District, 371 Parramatta-road, Leichhardt.—[ADVT.]

Bridge and Co., Dent and Perry, Heaton Brothers, W. Inglis and Son, George Wells, J. A. Moore and Co., E. M. Sutter and Co.

The above supplies were disposed of as follows:—

Chaff.—From Tibbs and Rossetter, Blayney, truck No. (70282, 3s 6d; Spratt, Orange (71390, passed; Lister and Stevens, Millthorpe (10,693), 3s 1d; M'Garry, Kelso (9969), 3s 6d; Dunsford (44991), 3s 3d, and (9338), 3s 6d; Field (9795), passed; Dooley, Spring Hill (69715), passed; Smith, Maryvale (10,042), 3s 7d per cwt.

Hay.—Bundled from West, Brewongle, (6051), 3s 3d; Jones, Spicer, Bathurst (312), 3s 10d; and Hardy, Millthorpe (5469), passed.

Straw.—Derrick-pressed from Markwell, Malgee (2677), 3s; Dowd (5495), 3s; and Farmgrove, George's Plains (6359), passed.

Maize.—From Parker, Molong (4071), 12 bags, 3s 8d per bushel.

Watermelons.—From O'Brien, Penrith (673), 3s 6d, and (2181), 3s 9d; Pavlow, Windsor (9385), 4s 9d; Howell, Penrith (997), 3s; and Smith, 3s 3d per dozen.

Pumpkins.—From O'Brien, Penrith (2181), 4s 6d and 4s 9d; Glennon, Richmond (5466), 4s; Waters (1082), 3s 9d; T. Field (2916), 3s and 1s 9d per dozen.

Polland.—From Dalton Brothers, Orange (4410), passed.

Potatoes.—Truck No. (353), from Windsor, 16 bags marked EG, 3s 1d, 11 WU 2s 3d, 120 3s 1d, and 12 ALL 3s 10d; (5101), 13 JOB 3s 1d, 14 OH 3s, 11 A 2s 3d, and 18 Hudson, passed; (66126), 14 JD 3s 6d, 17 JD's 3s 9d, and 15 JD's 3s 4d; (6231), 15 ER 3s 6d, 15 RR 3s 7d, 18 MAC 3s 6d; (68938), 24 C 3s 4d, 22 G, passed, and 12 MAC 3s 4d; (3338), 17 FX 3s 3d, 17 FH 3s 3d, 14 FJ 3s 3d, and 13 T 3s 11d (4999), 14 JD 3s 3d, 18 JM 3s 1d, 18 SND 3s, and 9 RM 2s 6d; (6230), 242 2s 7d, 12 3s 1d, 11 R 3s 1d, and 14 JD 2s 9d; (2331), 15 WG 2s 5d, 15 JB 3s, and 14 JO 3s 1d; (4790), 19 FR 2s 6d, and 24 Z 2s 9d; (6756), 12 WS 3s 3d, 15 JU 3s 3d, 12 MY 2s 4d, and 15 D 2s 9d; (6390), 12 FS passed, 15 D 3s 1d, 12 WD 3s 4d, and 36 WN 2s 5d; (6785), 27 WD 2s 11d; (6963), 34 JT 2s, 13 JR 3s 1d, and 14 R 2s 6d (X121), 3 WHO'B 3s; (5030), 8 JKR 3s, 9 J R 3s, and 9 JWP 3s 10d per cwt.

MARSUPIAL SKIN SALES.

Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., Limited, F. L. Barker and Co., Winchcombe, Carson, and Co., New Zealand Loan and Association, Limited (for the New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Company, Limited), Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Limited, John Bridge and Co., and Dalgety and Co. report that there is no appreciable difference in prices for kangaroo and wallaby skins this week. Competition was fairly good for all descriptions, except slightly lower, owing to a further fall in prices in London. Yesterday was the first sale of opossumskins for a month. The bags of this class were fair quality. Best skins (New Zealand Eastern, 10d; New Zealand Freehold, 3s; No. 1 South Phœnix, 7s 9d; Golden Piles, 13s to 13s 4½d; No. 1 North Smithfield, 16s 11d; No. 1 North Smithfield, 2s 4½d, 2s 5d; Wilmot, paid, 3s; Wilmot, contributing, 2s 5d, 2s 7d; Great Zealand, 2s 1d.

CHARTERS TOWERS, WEDNESDAY.

The Brilliant Central crushed 256 tons for 305oz. The tributers at the Golden Gate crushed 16½ tons for 9oz. 12dwt. The tributers at Clark's, Worcester, crushed 18½ tons for 13oz. 9dwt. 12gr. The tributers Lady Maria crushed 6 tons for 18oz. 3dwt. 12gr. Brilliant Block crushed 485 tons for 475oz. 14dwt. 12gr. for the fortnight, and declared a dividend of 6d, equal to £2500. Victoria and Queen crushed 80 tons for 270oz. Consolted gold. The Day crushed 413 tons from No. 2 shaft for 456oz. 7dwt. 11gr., and 148 tons from No. 1 shaft for 155oz. 7dwt. 18gr. The tributers at Lady Maria crushed 31 tons for 62oz. 6dwt. The tributers at the Identity crushed 32 tons for 22½oz. The tributers at Stockholm crushed 90½ tons for 197oz. 14dwt. 6gr. Tributers at Golden Gate crushed 36 tons for 12oz. 3dwt. Tributers at the Sunburst crushed 13½ tons for 4oz. 18dwt., and 24 tons for 9½oz. 10dwt. Tributers at Worcester and Victory crushed 9 tons for 11½oz. Quotations:—Brilliant Central, 10s; Brilliant Extended, paid up, 3s 11d; Brilliant Freehold, contributing, 5s 1d—paid up, 8s; Brilliant No. 2 Extended, contributing, 3s; Clark's Worcester, 1s; East Maryland, 1s 11d; Kelly's Queen Block, 9s 8d; Old Imperial, contributing, 4s—paid up, 4s 3d; Pagoda Brilliant and Victoria, 6s 4d; Queen Cross Reef, 3s 8d; Queen Central, 2s; Victoria Caledonia Block, contributing, 1s 8d; Victoria, 12s; Victory, 12s.

MELBOURNE, WEDNESDAY.

Business on 'Change to-day in silver companies was limited. Broken Hill Proprietary had good support at 52s, and Mount Lyell at 12s 6d to 24s. Moderate business was done, with little change in value, in Victorian gold companies' shares. The principal sales were:—Band and Albion, 5s; Chalk's, No. 1, 24s 6d to 25s; Duke North, 9s 6d; Ironbark, 1s 6d to 1s 8d; Johnsons, 68s; Midas Consols, 10s 3d to 10s 6d; Midas Consols, paid, 10s 10d; New Koh-i-noor, 1s 11d; North Prentice, contributing, 14s 4d to 13s 10½d; Prentice Freehold, 61s to 68s 6d; Princess Dagmar, 23s 6d; South New Chum, 2s 3d to 4s; South Wanderer, 1s 11d to 2s; South St. Mungo, 7s 6d; Waterloo, 16s; West Sunlight, 2s 6d. Among Western Australian gold companies Bayley's Reward were supported at late quotations, sales being made at £17 to £17 3s. Bayley's Consols were weaker, with sales at 1s 7d to 1s. Fortune of War has moderate business at 5s 7d to 5s 6d.

ADELAIDE, WEDNESDAY.

A fair amount of business was transacted in the Share market to-day. Most gold stocks were dull, and, with the exception of Bayley's Reward and Crœsus, there has been no change. Sales included—Proprietary, 52s 6d; Block 14, 6s 3d; Block 10, 15s; British, 3s; Central, 3s 6d; Junction, 2s 3d; Junction North, 2s 6d; Bayley's Reward, £17 10s; Lefroy, 87s 6d; Crœsus, 7s 4½d; Ivanhoe, 4s; Lake View, 1s 10d; Lines, eight-hundreth, £4 5d; Murchison Consolidated, paid, 1s 3d; Princess Dagmar, 23s 6d; South Devonshire, 9s 6d; Lady Barkly, 8s; Specimen Hill United, 4s 3d; Redcastle, paid, 1s 2d; Baker's Creek, 24s 9d.

RETURNS.

Mount Gahan Gold-mining Company, January 26.—Yield for the fortnight, 117oz. 8dwt. gold.

British B. H. Company.—Address of ore shipped during the week ending 24th January to Dry Creek, S.A.; 25 tons 10cwt. 1qr. 10lb. gross, containing 1oz. 10dwt. 10gr. gold, 10 per cent. lead, and 12oz. silver per ton. Contents: Silver, 1637oz.; lead, 20 tons.

New Koh-i-Noor.—Have smelted for the 4½ days ending 26th January 126 tons parcels of ore mixture, producing 9 tons of matte, estimated value £982.

Broken Hill South Silver-mining Company, January 28.—Ore raised 37 tons, producing 6 tons 1cwt. 2qr. bullion, containing 681oz. silver and 6 tons 11cwt. lead. Furnace running 1 day 16 hours.

ABSTRACT OF SALES BY AUCTION THIS DAY.

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SIMPSON, VIAN, AND DAWSON.—At their Rooms, at 11.30. Land and Houses.

FURNITURE AND MERCHANDISE.

H. W. BROOK AND CO.—At 77 Castlereagh-street, at 11. Furniture, Linen, Clothing, &c.

E. JACOBS AND CO.—On the Premises, Trafalgar-street, Newtown, at 11. Wheelwrights' Plant, Stock-in-trade, &c., of a Boot Manufacturer, &c.

D. A. MUSSO.—At 45 Mullens-street, Balmain, at 11. Furniture, Crockery, Sewing Machine, Mangle, Clock, &c.

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Funerals.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. JOHN KENEALY are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his deceased beloved WIFE, Bridget; to move from her late residence, off Jeanes-street, Alexandria, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at half-past 1 o'clock, for the R.C. Cemetery, Rookwood. J. MEDCALF, Undertaker, Redfern.

THE FRIENDS of EDWARD, PATRICK, and GEORGE KENEALY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their deceased beloved MOTHER; to move from her late residence, off Jeanes-street, Alexandria, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at half-past 1 o'clock, for the R.C. Cemetery, Rookwood. J. MEDCALF, Undertaker, Redfern-st., Redfern.

THE FRIENDS of the late Mr. MICHAEL LYNCH are kindly invited to attend his Funeral THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON; to move from his late residence, No. 38 Yurong-street, Woollomooloo, at half-past 1 o'clock, to the R. C. Cemetery, Rookwood. T. DIXON, Undertaker, 23 Orford-street.

H.A.C.B. SOCIETY.—The Officers and Members of St. Peters Branch, No. 166, and of other city branches, are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of the late Bro. MICHAEL LYNCH; to move from 38 Yurong-street, Woolloomooloo, at half-past 1 o'clock THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, for R. C. Cemetery, Rookwood. GEO. RYAN, President; F. O'LOUGHLIN, Secretary.

THE FRIENDS of F. A. A. WILSON, Esq., are informed that his Funeral will leave his residence, Brampton, Miller-street, North Sydney, THIS DAY, at 3 o'clock, for St. Thomas' Cemetery. W. H. ROWARD, Undertaker, 70 Walker-street, North Sydney.

THE RELATIVES and FRIENDS of the late Mrs. MARY LYTTLETON are kindly invited to attend her Funeral, which will move from her late residence, No. 72 Church-street, Balmain, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 3 o'clock, for Balmain Roman Catholic Cemetery.
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THE FRIENDS of Mr. PATRICK MILLIGAN are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his deceased MOTHER-IN-LAW, Mrs. Lyttleton, which will move from his residence, No. 72 Church-street, Balmain, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 3 o'clock, for Balmain Roman Catholic Cemetery.
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THE FRIENDS of Mr. CALNAN are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved WIFE; to move from 100 King-street, Newtown, TOMORROW (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 2 o'clock, for Newtown Station, thence to Necropolis. EDWARDS ANDREWS and CO., Undertakers, 372 King-street, Newtown.

THE FRIENDS of the late Mr. THOMAS MIDELTON (late Locomotive Engineer of the New South Wales Government Railways and Tramways) are kindly informed that his Funeral will leave his late residence, Aylesbury, Albemarle-street, North Kingston, on SATURDAY AFTERNOON, at 2 o'clock punctually, for Waverley Cemetery.
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